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LONDON TIMES' NEWS OF WAR.

Roberts' Cordon of British Around Cronje Is Drawing Daily Closer to His Trenches.

STORM GROBLER'S KLOOF.

Boers Protest with Shells Against Sunday Pastimes and Sports at Mafeking.

CHEER TROOPS AT CALCUTTA

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The Times.

LONDON.

TUESDAY (2 A. M.), FEBRUARY 27.

[By cable to THE TRIBUNE.]

The Times publishes the following from its special correspondents:

PAARDEBERG (Friday)—The cordon around General Cronje is daily drawn a little closer. Today the Gordon Highlanders pushed 200 yards towards the river bed beyond the point gained by the Shropshires Wednesday night. This afternoon the war balloon ascended from the river west of the Boer laager. Meanwhile Cronje's investment is rapidly drawing the Boers together from every quarter, and several thousands are now hovering in the neighborhood of Paardeberg. At 5:30 this morning fifty of the Ninth Lancers at Poplar Farm were attacked by 500 Boers with a Vickers-Maxim gun. The Lancers were supported by a battery of artillery and a squadron of the Twelfth Lancers and succeeded in keeping the enemy at a distance. At the same time a large force made a most determined attack on the southeasterly kopje captured Wednesday, which is now known as Kitchener's Hill, and is held by the First Yorkshires. They drove in the pickets, but the Yorkshires, under good cover, held the position until supported by the King's Own and the Scottish Borderers and a battery of artillery from the east. By 10:30 most of the Boers were routed, while the Riffs, working round to the west, surrounded and captured the remaining eighty-seven Boers, including two field cornets and one commandant belonging to the Johannesburg and Heidelberg commandos, who had just come from Ladysmith, which place they left four days ago.

Corporal Swims the Tugela.

PIETERMARITZBURG (Friday)—Corporal Adams of the telegraph brigade swam the Tugela with a wire in his mouth last Wednesday and the Dublin Fusileers again distinguished themselves by volunteering to take Grobler's Kloof, which they did. This gallant battalion, which began the campaign 850 strong, can today muster on parade only 100 or 200 of the original members.

Delayed News from Mafeking.

MAFEKING, Feb. 12, by runner to Gaberones.—Our movements in the brickfields are developing successfully, and we are now occupying the kilns from which the enemy sniped us at the beginning of the week. Our gradual advance has caused the Boers to construct trenches on the southeastern side facing our sharpshooters. This is a great obstruction to our work, so that both sides have scored.

We deplore the loss of two well known inhabitants—the first townspeople killed in the siege—Captain Girdwood, who held the position of commissariat, and Councilor Dald—who were killed by a shell on the morning of the day when the garrison ball was to be given. The dance in consequence was postponed until last night. The news of our method of Sabbatarian enjoyment caused the Boers to open fire when the dance began.

Commandant Snyman has written to say, as we are unwilling to observe Sunday, he will in consequence fire when we indulge in such unholy practices. The term "unholy practices" implies such sports as cricket, concerts, and all those pastimes which a beleaguered garrison may attempt to enjoy as a relief after weeks of siege.

The position of the Boer big gun was again shifted to an emplacement due west. It has not yet got the range of the town. From its old emplacement the casualties and damage to buildings were heavy.

Cheer Troops Leaving India.

CALCUTTA (Monday)—The departure of a company of Lumsden's horse for south Africa today was made the occasion for a public demonstration, many hundred persons assembling at the docks where the volunteers embarked on the Undula. The Viceroy and Lady Curzon, the Lieutenant Governor of Bengal, military members of the Council, and most of the leading military and civil official representatives of the European community were present. Lord Curzon's farewell address was loudly applauded, especially his reference to the possibility of the corps sharing in the advance on Pretoria and the allusion to the first marked successes of the campaign being achieved by the ex-Commander-in-Chief of India.

BRITISH FEAR THE FRENCH.

Report Comes from St. Pierre, Miquelon; That Colonists Are Apprehensive of Violence.

St. Johns, N. F., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—The Newfoundland ministry today received urgent representations from colonists at St. Pierre, Miquelon, that the attitude of the French towards them is decidedly hostile and that violence is feared. This is the outcome of the action of the Newfoundland Legislature last week in renewing modus vivendi, which spoils French plans for securing a firmer hold on the French shore.

SUMMARY OF The Daily Tribune.

BOER-BRITISH WAR.

Roberts' artillery less active, while his sappers at work. Dewet, with 1,000 men, tried three times on Friday to relieve Cronje, but was beaten back. Cronje strongly defended by earthworks. Roberts took eighty-seven prisoners.

Semi-official announcement that no Prussian officers are fighting in Boer army.

Buller shelled one side of Boer position at Bulwana and White the other.

Mafeking siege unabated on Feb. 16.

WASHINGTON.

In Senate Turley argued against seating Quay; in discussing Hawaiian bill Tillman admitted ballot boxes had been stuffed and negroes shot to maintain white supremacy in South.

Republican conference on Porto Rican bill agreed to reduce tariff to 15 per cent and to limit operation to two years. Chances favor bill, although there is some opposition.

House received appeal from Porto Ricans saying if relief is not given thousands will starve; free trade asked and legislation needed.

Marcus Daly testified he spent $25,000 against Clark, but said he had not conspired to injure him.

Dewey may accept Cullom and Carr's invitation to visit Galesburg.

Justice Gray of Supreme Court may retire.

EDUCATION.

Presidents Eliot of Harvard and Wheeler of California Universities and Professor Butler of Columbia addressed meeting in Central Music Hall, scoring "pull" in schools and urging one-man power.

Committee of National Educational association unfavorable to national university.

Estimated that 150,000 Cuban children are in the 3,000 schools.

LOCAL.

Chief Engineer Randolph says annoyance to navigation interests can be removed by widening Chicago River and abandoning still water methods of towing.

James S. Nicholson, Chicago contractor, secretly wedded Miss Alice Carrell of Cincinnati at Jeffersonville, Ind., in anticipation of his father's wish.

Eligible list for police inspectors contains Kalas', Heidelmeier's, Ptacek's, and Hartnett's names, in order named.

Appellate Court holds "L" roads liable for damage to property in streets occupied by elevated structure.

Mrs. Evrill E. Synon, 240 South Green street, found murdered in her home; husband arrested.

La Rue Cover, 3 years old, adopted daughter of B. E. Cover, abducted by her mother and two men.

Council sustained Mayor's veto of ordinance making $2 minimum wage for city labor.

P. D. Armour Jr.'s will filed. Estate, of $8,000,000, goes to widow and children.

Angry man shot at elevated railway conductor who didn't stop the train.

Street car conductor shot a passenger during fight over a transfer.

Grand jury to investigate "get-rich-quick" concerns.

Chicago charity organizations may locate in one building.

FOREIGN.

Goschen explained in House of Commons naval estimates provided for two ships more than Russia and France combined.

Danish Finance Minister will today announce American offer of $5,500,000 for West Indies; much opposition in Denmark to sale.

King of Belgium objects to remarriage of his daughter, Stephanie, to Count Lonyay.

Russian Ambassador demanded Sultan grant enlarged concessions in Asia Minor.

Report Russia will lease harbor in Persian Gulf as Port Arthur is leased from China.

Waldeck-Rousseau's Legion of Honor promotions criticised as election spoils.

French troops said to have entered 170 miles into Morocco.

POLITICS.

Tanner has forbidden instructions for Haney in counties he controls. Hence Crawford and Clay elected uninstructed delegates. Haney must have 400 votes from Cook to get outside counties.

Jo Daviess convention today, instructions unlikely. Alexander County primaries indicate convention will favor Haney.

Meeting announced for Belmont Hall tonight, where Lake View Republicans will indorse Judge Carter for Governor.

Sioux Falls, S. D., wants date of Populist convention postponed from May 9.

Cook County Marching club entertained at Choctaw club in New Orleans.

Altgeld likely to try to be elected district delegate to National convention.

Clark County Democrats indorsed Harrison for Governor.

Effort to instruct Schuyler for Yates failed.

Altgeld addressed Mohawk club in Detroit.

Boone County delegates uninstructed.

DOMESTIC.

California Supreme Court sustained Fair will, deciding against Mrs. Craven's suit.

Twenty-five men will be indicted for bear raid on Brooklyn Rapid Transit stock.

Buffalo Bill says 30,000 Mormons from Salt Lake will found city in Wyoming.

Democratic contestants given minor offices by Kentucky Contest board.

Archbishop Hennessy losing vitality.

Governor Tanner was able to sit up.

Richard Hovey, poet, died.

TRADE AND INDUSTRY.

De Pauw University charged American Plate Glass company with depriving minority stockholders of profits, and asked for receiver and an accounting.

Minority stockholders say H. C. Frick Coke company is furnishing coke at loss of $4,000,000 this year for Carnegie's profit and ask annulment of contract.

United States Milling company, the flour trust, passed into hands of receivers; could not float bonds; reorganization planned.

At meeting of De Beers company Cecil Rhodes said annual profits of diamond mines are $10,000,000.

Sympathetic strikes of sheet metal workers in Fraser & Chalmers' and Siemens & Halske shops.

Cutting of east-bound rates on grain continues.

ARMY AND NAVY.

Court of Claims decided Spanish fleet at Manila inferior to Dewey's force, ruling harsh payment of claims for private property of Americans taken during Spanish war.

Long asked Congress to authorize immediate graduation of naval cadets for service.

Navy department asked $10,000 for transportation home of marines who die abroad.

Secretary Root asked Congress to authorize defenses do not count in prize award.

Unfair discrimination in purchase of naval supplies charged.

RELIGIOUS.

Pastor A. D. King's resignation from Scotch Westminster Church accepted, although $900 back salary is due him.

Pope approved Lestonnac's and Hoessin's miracles, and they will be beatified.

Rome expects 100,000 pilgrims in March.

Pope at work on important encyclical.

SPORTING.

Soden says American league can't place club in Chicago without Hart's consent.

Sharkey will cover Fitzsimmons' forfeit.

Hart expects ten-club circuit.

AGREE ON TARIFF BILL.

REPUBLICANS COMPROMISE IN PORTO RICO TAX FIGHT.

Ways and Means Committee Submits to Amendments Making Measure Cover Limited Period and Reduction of Duty from 25 to 15 Per Cent—Some Congressmen, Still in Opposition, Declare They Will Not Support the Conference Decision.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—At a Republican conference which lasted about three hours tonight, a compromise on the Porto Rican tariff bill was agreed upon, but it is not yet certain the Ways and Means committee will secure the adoption of its bill, as there are some Republicans who declare they will not vote for the compromise. The title of the measure was changed to read:

"A bill for the temporary relief of Porto Rico and for other purposes."

It was amended to limit its operations until March 1, 1902, and to impose a duty of 15 per cent instead of the 25 per cent of the Dingley law on goods going into Porto Rico and those coming from that island to this country.

Payne Offers Amendment.

Chairman Payne offered an amendment to the bill which provided:

"This act shall be taken and held to be provisional in its purposes and intended to meet a present pressing need for revenue for Porto Rico and shall not continue in force after March 1, 1902."

Henry C. Smith of Michigan offered an amendment reducing the duty to 15 per cent. These amendments were adopted by a rising vote, but there were ten members who did not agree, and as no formal caucus was called they are at liberty to hold out if they see fit.

The conference was a good-humored one, both sides presenting their views. Mr. McCall of Massachusetts, one of the leaders of the opposition, is still opposed to the measure on constitutional grounds, and said he would not vote for it under any circumstances, but he would not urge others who had no such constitutional convictions to vote against the bill.

Speaker Henderson urged the Republicans to act in harmony and adopt the measure. His remarks were well received and he was frequently interrupted by applause.

Chairman Payne pretends not to look on the compromise as a defeat for his committee, although that fact is well understood, and just before the adjournment made a plea to his associates to stand firm and support the amended bill. The result of tonight's work is a distinct humiliation for the leaders of the House, as they have surrendered almost everything for which they contended except the bare principle of the constitutional right to levy duties on the Territories.

Bill Not Yet Safe.

Even now the leaders are not sure they will be successful in having the bill adopted, as after the meeting it was declared by its opponents ten members would not support the bill as they are not bound to do so. The meeting tonight was a conference and not a caucus, consequently the opponents do not feel bound to abide by the agreement. Such men as Lorimer, Littlefield, Crumpacker, McCall, and a few others declare they will not support the compromise as 15 per cent duty is almost as great a burden on the people of Porto Rico as is 25 per cent. But it cannot be denied that some of the opponents were won over tonight. While there is still a feeling that the measure will be defeated the chances seem to favor its adoption.

It will be harder for a few members to hold out against the bill than the large number which first opposed it. Until the opposition has a chance to confer tomorrow it is impossible to say what the fate of the bill will be. All day long the friends of the tariff bill have been hard at work trying to break down the opposition.

The Republicans of the Ways and Means committee called on the President and urged him to give them permission to say he favored a tariff on Porto Rican goods. They received cold comfort from Major McKinley, however, and the only promise secured was not to veto the bill, no matter in what shape it reached the White House. It is known the President has changed his position little if any on this proposition, and it is also true Secretary Root still favors free trade with Porto Rico, as was evidenced by appeals from General Davis sent to Congress today.

It is also true the President's position has been misrepresented grossly by the friends of the bill in their effort to save themselves from the odium of defeat.

Statement of Cannon.

After the conference adjourned at 11 o'clock Chairman Cannon gave out the following statement of the amendments agreed upon by the conference:

"The conference requested the Ways and Means committee to offer an amendment to the bill as follows: 'Amend the title to make it an act temporarily to provide revenue for the Island of Porto Rico and for other purposes,' and to add the following section: 'This act shall be taken and held to be provisional in its purpose, intended to meet a pressing, present need for revenue for the Island of Porto Rico, and is not to continue in force after March 1, 1902.' These amendments were adopted with practical unanimity. Another to reduce the duty imposed by the act from 25 to 15 per cent was adopted by a vote of 105 to 11. A further amendment is to be offered by the Ways and Means committee to make it clear that no double duty is imposed; that the payment of an internal revenue tax is the total tax on importations."

Debate in the House.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

Washington, D. C., Feb. 26.—The general debate on the Porto Rican tariff bill was today extended until tomorrow night. Interest centered in the conferences which were going on among the Republican leaders and the dissenting Republicans in their efforts to compromise their differences on the bill. The speakers today were Boutell [Ill.], Brown [O.], Mondell [Wyo.], Graham [Pa.], and Reeder [Kas.] for the bill, and Bartlett [Ga.], Lanham [Tex.], Moon [Tenn.], Williams [Ill.], Johnston, [W. Va.], Sutherland [Neb.], Jett [Ill.], Noonan [Ill.], and Wilson [Ariz.] against it.

Mr. Payne [N. Y.], the floor leader, announced that the leaders had decided to extend the general debate another day.

When Mr. Payne made the request for the extension of time, Mr. Richardson, the Democratic leader, said: "This is a remarkable request to come from the majority. We construe it to be a frank and candid confession that they have brought here a bad bill and an admission in open House to the country that they have not votes enough to pass it."

He demanded as conditions to an extension a night session tomorrow night, and permission to offer a substitute in the House on Wednesday. Mr. Payne agreed to the conditions.

Mr. Lanham [Tex.] in opposing the bill declared that the Porto Ricans were either Americans or aliens. The inhabitants of the island, he insisted, were entitled to unrestricted free trade with the United States. If an imperial policy was set up it could but end in the downfall of the republic.

Mr. Boutell took up the testimony before the Insular and Ways and Means committees to show that the people of Porto Rico were unprepared for self-government. They had certain fundamental rights, but not the rights of American citizenship. He was opposed, he said, to admitting the Porto Ricans and Filipinos to free competition with American labor. He said he would not support the bill if it were to be made a permanent measure.

Mr. Williams [Ill.] opposed the bill. In the course of his remarks he said the President and Mr. Littlefield were in accord with each other on the Porto Rican tariff bill and he suggested the gentleman from Maine as a good running mate on the ticket with McKinley.

"But, he has no barrel," observed a Democrat.

"He has a barrel of brains," retorted Mr. Williams.

"Would you vote for your Vice Presidential candidate?" asked Mr. Cannon [Rep., Ill.]

"If I voted the Republican ticket," replied Mr. Williams, "I would find some consolation for the crime in voting for the gentleman from Maine. There is a good deal of Democracy in what he preaches."

JUSTICE GRAY MAY RETIRE.

Washington Rumors Declare Judge of Supreme Court Will Resign Within a Short Time.

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—A Washington dispatch to the Globe-Democrat says: There were rumors at the White House today to the effect that Justice Gray is likely to retire from the United States Supreme Court bench, and that the President will have an opportunity to fill a vacant seat in the highest tribunal from his Cabinet, as he did when Justice McKenna was appointed in 1897.

Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States are privileged to resign upon reaching the age of 70, with full pay for life. Justice Gray will be 72 years of age on March 24, and has served since his appointment by President Arthur, on Dec. 10, 1881. Justice Gray is five years older than either the Chief Justice or Justice Harlan, and from seven to seventeen years older than his other associates. The duties of the office being arduous and exacting for a man of his age, there will be no surprise at the White House, it is said, if his resignation is sent to the President within the next few days.

In this event it is agreed that the name of the present Attorney General will be sent to the Senate for confirmation as his successor. Mr. Griggs will be 51 years of age on July 10, and has served in the Cabinet for a little more than a year, having been appointed to fill the place left vacant by the elevation of Justice McKenna to the Supreme Court bench.

LA RUE COVER IS ABDUCTED.

Child Three Years Old Taken from Foster Parents by Her Mother and Two Men.

Little La Rue Cover, the 3-year-old adopted child of Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Cover, 947 West Adams street, was taken from her foster parents' residence yesterday afternoon by two men, claiming to be policemen, and a woman. The child was taken from the foster mother's arms. A handkerchief was stuffed in the child's mouth to smother her cries, and, with an opera cape drawn tightly about her, she was carried to a closed carriage. The horses were driven rapidly north in Western avenue. The woman was the child's mother, Steela Wamsley, or Thompson as she has signed herself in the agreement by which she surrendered the child at the County Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Cover when the baby was only 7 days old.

Mrs. Cover was at dinner with the little girl and her baby, 6 months old, when she was called to the door by a ring of the bell.

"The two men dashed past me, saying that they had come for the little girl," said Mrs. Cover. "Then the woman came in. One of the men said they had been following us for two years. La Rue cried, and, with her arms about my neck, begged me not to let them take her. I pleaded with the woman on my knees, and even asked them to let me change my little daughter's dress. Then one of the men took her from my arms, threw a cloak over her, and started on a run down the stairs. I tried my best to stop them, as did several of the neighbors who had been aroused by my screams, but the men pushed us aside."

TELLS OF SECRET WEDDING.

Report of Archduke Ferdinand's Marriage Said to Have Caused Seizure of Vienna Newspaper.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE NEW YORK WORLD AND THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE.]

LONDON, Feb. 27.—A letter from Vienna, dated Feb. 23, says: "It is reported the government has seized a greater portion of today's issue of the Wiener Tageblatt, because it published a story of the secret morganatic marriage of Archduke Francis Ferdinand, the heir presumptive to the Austrian throne.

"Ferdinand is said to have been a long time in love with the Countess Sofie Chouk, and the story declares that two months ago the Archduke arranged to marry her at a small village in south Hungary, but that Emperor Franz Josef discovered the scheme and thwarted it.

"It is now said on Feb. 5 the Duke found a priest in a convent near Styria who was willing to perform the ceremony and succeeded in having the marriage celebrated on Feb. 6. The bride is said to have remained at Bruck au der Mur, but that the Duke travels there from Vienna incognito each week. The regular news agencies and the official papers deny the story."

ARCHBISHOP HENNESSY WORSE

Catholic Prelate at Dubuque Losing Vitality and May Not Live Through the Week.

Dubuque, Ia., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—It is feared that Archbishop Hennesy will not survive the week. He is able to take but little nourishment and is fast losing his vitality. His right side is paralyzed and there is partial paralysis of the muscles of the stomach.

The Archbishop passed a bad day and night Sunday, and the church bells are not rung because of his condition.

The letter addressed to the priests concerning Lenten instructions, and read on Sunday in the churches, contained a postscript announcing the Archbishop's condition and asking the prayers of the priests and people of the archdiocese.

ADAMS IS HOLDING HIS OWN.

University of Wisconsin President Thought to Have a Fair Chance for Recovery.

Madison, Wis., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—President Adams of the University of Wisconsin, though still in a dangerous condition, held his own today, and is now resting more easily. His physician believes if there is no relapse he stands a good chance of recovery.

SCORE "PULL" IN SCHOOLS

LEADING EDUCATORS DENOUNCE IT AND ARE CHEERED.

Meeting at Central Music Hall Is Addressed by Professor Butler of Columbia, Presidents Eliot, Harvard, and Wheeler, California — References to Politics in Boards by the First and Argument for One-Man Power by Second Please Auditors.

College Presidents and instructors, representing three of the largest universities in the country, gave their opinions on the needs of public schools, particularly those of the Chicago school system, to an audience of 2,000 people last night in Central Music Hall. The speakers were President Charles W. Eliot of Harvard, President Benjamin Ide Wheeler of the University of California, and Professor Nicholas Murray Butler of Columbia University.

The statements which the audience applauded as having special reference to local conditions included a denunciation of school trustees who would announce openly that appointment and advancement in a school system were governed by the influence which the candidates were able to exert upon the members of the Board of Education, and an argument for an expert as the executive head of the schools. Both statements were supposed to be directed at an element in the Chicago Board of Education.

Franklin Head Refers to "Pull."

President Franklin Head of the Civic federation, a committee of which, the Citizens' Committee of 100, had direction of the meeting, said in presenting the first speaker:

"I presume you all have seen recently a statement in the newspapers that some members of the Board of Education, in passing upon the qualification of teachers, have admitted publicly that they promoted certain teachers, not because they were qualified, but because they had a 'pull.' Now, this is something which is a disgrace to the city, and the comfortable thing out of it, it seems to me, is that inasmuch as the Mayor is deeply interested in the public school system these remarks which have been made public will give the Mayor a most beautiful excuse for creating certain vacancies in the Board of Education."

Professor Butler on Politics in Schools.

The arraignment of the acknowledged practice, introduced by President Head, was continued by Professor Butler of Columbia University.

"There is one interest which never is represented before the bar of 'pull,'" he said. "That is the interest of the school children. There is 'pull' for appointment, 'pull' for transfer, 'pull' for advancement, but no 'pull' for the school child. There is little party politics in a public school system, but there is a meaner kind of politics. The man or woman who will prey upon these helpless school children is seven times seven deeper in crime against humanity than the vulgar politician who merely loots the public treasury. You can put money back, but you cannot restore life.

"The teacher who is compelled at 3 o'clock in the afternoon to see a committeeman in some saloon in order to confer with him upon transfer and salary and promotion is not absolutely free from danger in carrying on professional work. Observe that if that professional teacher can have access to a professional supervisor or Superintendent who meets that teacher precisely as a Judge would listen to a lawyer and passes on the case on its merits, and not only from the standpoint of his wisdom and experience, but with the added element of professional honor attached, then you have placed that teacher under the best possible safeguards for effective work.

Wonders Teachers Are Not Unanimous.

"I cannot imagine why the teaching profession of the United States should not be absolutely unanimous for expert service in the schools and for that professionalism, if I may use the word, for the entire work of public instruction.

"There is absolutely nothing so undemocratic as 'pull.' That is the mark of aristocracy. And when a man or woman stands up in the face of the public and says that pull avails in the appointment or transfer of a teacher, then I say they are slapping democracy in the face and exalting an oligarchy that is too mean and too base for words."

The other question which has disturbed Chicago school administration, the relation of the Superintendent of Schools to the Board of Education and its executive work, was treated by both Professor Butler and President Eliot. Professor Butler discussed it generally. President Eliot was specific.

Professor Butler said the argument against the idea of "one-man" power was that it is undemocratic. "We are told," he said, "that to have an expert and to ask him for his advice, with a predilection in favor of following that advice, is the establishment of a one-man power. That is amusing. One-man power! To what better are we entitled, and what can be more democratic, than to put a public servant out in the light of day, prescribe his duties, compel him to perform them in daylight, and then hold him responsible? If that is one-man power and undemocratic, then some one will have to make the most of it, because I think an intelligent and progressive democracy intends to have a great deal of it—more every year and more in every branch of public service."

President Eliot Has Facts and Figures.

When President Eliot was presented and began to speak he opened with figures and facts. He said he understood there were about 250,000 school children in Chicago. There should be 50,000 teachers, he said, a teacher to five children being the proper proportion. This was impossible, he granted, but the proportion which prevailed in Chicago schools, sixty or seventy pupils to one teacher, was a condition which, in itself, made good schools an impossibility. The size of the school board he would reduce to that of a small cabinet.

"The Board of Education should be composed of as many members as comfortably can get about a table of moderate size," he said, "so that they can talk together without lifting their voices, without looking to any gallery, without thinking of anything but the straight road to do the right public service, without any ulterior objects beyond their work; without any motive except to get through their business quickly, safely, prudently, without any thought of self; knowing each other, accustomed to each other's modes of thought; knowing, therefore, how quickly to reach each other's minds and come to an agreement and a conclusion. How many in such a board? Five, seven, nine, perhaps—that the outside limit. But such a board must have a high degree of permanence, therefore only a part of all these members should be replaced each year. If the board is five replace one a year. If it is seven replace two in two successive years and then three. If it is nine replace three a year, perhaps, though that is too prompt a change. Why replace slowly? Because in every large American city a school board needs foresight and experience. It is not extraordinary, perhaps, but deplorable, how little foresight has been shown in the management of American schools."

The executive work, he said, should be in-

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AFFIRMS THE WILL OF FAIR.

California Supreme Court Holds Millionaire's Testament Is Valid and Reverses Slack's Decision.

San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—The Supreme Court of California today, by a vote of 4 to 3, made an important decision, affirming the validity of the trust will of the late Senator Fair, by which the $16,000,000 estate is given into the charge of four trustees to manage and divide equally between the three children of the dead millionaire. At their death, the estate is to be equally divided between the children of Fair's two daughters and between the brothers and sisters of Fair.

This decision knocks out Mrs. Nettie Craven, who is suing as widow of Fair, and who was once offered $300,000 by the heirs to drop her claims against the estate. The decision gives her only $50, even if she proves she was married to Fair, and if she recovers the monthly allowance Fair used to give her, the sum will not pay her counsel fees.

This decision upsets Judge Slack's opinion that the trust will was invalid. This so-called trust will, after personal bequests to a number of people, including $50,000 to Hermann Oelrichs, gives all the estate to four trustees to be held by them during the lives of his daughters, Mrs. Theresa Oelrichs and Miss Virginia Fair (now Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt Jr.), and his son Charles L. Fair. The trustees are to manage the property for the benefit of the heirs and divide the net income equally among the children. The trustees were W. S. Goodfellow, James S. Angus, Louis C. Bresse, and Thomas G. Crothers.

Fair declared in this will he was not married and left no children, except two daughters and one son. He provided, however, if any person proved she was his surviving widow, she should receive $50 and each child proved to be his should receive the same amount.

This will Fair's children did not like, as it tied up the big estate, so they tried to break it. During the litigation the will was stolen from the County Clerk's office, but one of the lawyers for the executors had a certified copy, so this theft was easily repaired.

Judge Slack decided the trust will unconstitutional, but the Supreme Court now affirms it in every particular.

Attorneys for the Fair children declare that, as they have bought up all the interests of Fair's brothers and sisters, the heirs are now in position to ask the court to set off one-half of the estate to Fair's three children. This they will do on the rehearing of the case before the Supreme Court of California, which, they assert, must be granted because of the closeness of the vote. The petition for rehearing will be filed within thirty days.

SAYS M'KINLEY IS LUKEWARM.

Boer Envoy to United States Declares Public Opinion Seems to Count for Little with the Administration.

New York, Feb. 26.—Montagu White, American representative of the Boers, left tonight for Buffalo, where he will make an address tomorrow night. Before his departure he said:

"As to intervention, the outlook is not pleasing. I see no hope in Europe, unless Russia should take action, and that does not appear likely. I believe Emperor William would like to stop the war, but he doesn't exactly know how to go about it.

"The only hope is in the United States. No other power can mediate, and the administration appears to be lukewarm.

"Public opinion in the United States seems to count for little, so far as its influence upon the administration is concerned. All these meetings throughout the country, the direct evidence that the sentiment of the people of the United States favor mediation, count for nothing with the administration. Those placed in power are safe for four years.

"In England such an outburst would overturn a ministry in a single week. It would force the government to do its will.

"When I was in Washington it was made plain to me that the administration feels secure. It is bound to remain in office for a certain length of time. It does not feel the weight of public opinion until the time for the elections approaches.

"When I saw Secretary Hay I told him frankly that I hoped the time would come when public opinion in the United States would be so strong that he would be compelled to stop the war. And the United States could do it. It is the only power that could do it. Should the government take a decided stand the war would end within a fortnight. England needs the United States. She cannot get along without this country."

BULLETIN OF

The Daily Tribune.

CHICAGO, TUESDAY, FEB. 27, 1900.

Weather predictions for the next 24 hours:

Fair, followed by snow by Tuesday night or Wednesday morning, slightly warmer.

Sun rises at 6:39; sets at 5:47.

Moon rises at 5:06 a. m.

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BREMEN	H. H. Meier	Bremen.
GIBRALTAR	Trave	S. of Nebraska.
GLASGOW		
HALIFAX	Dominion	
JAFFA	Aus. Victoria	
LIVERPOOL	Siruria	
NAPLES	Columbia	
NEW YORK		Allen.

EXTRA.

5:00 A. M.

SURRENDER OF CRONJE'S ARMY.

War Office Announces That the Boer General Has Unconditionally Given Up His Force.

MAJUBA'S LOSS AVENGED.

Londoners Wild with Joy, as News Comes on the Anniversary of the Defeat of Nineteen Years Ago.

BURGHERS TIRE OF WAR.

LONDON, Feb. 27, 9:57 a. m.—It is officially announced that General Cronje surrendered, with his whole force, unconditionally, at dawn this morning.

The news has created wild excitement, coming, as it does, on the nineteenth anniversary of the Majuba Hill disaster.

Should Buller reach Ladysmith today, as many believe he will, Great Britain's joy will be complete.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE BY ARTHUR L. CLARKE.]

LONDON, Feb. 27, 3 a. m.—General Buller, according to dispatches yesterday, was practically in the same position as the night previous, or about six miles out of Ladysmith proper and two miles distant from Cæsar's Camp, General White's most remote outpost.

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The fighting continues, however, and, according to the Central News correspondent, the naval guns at Ladysmith are cooperating with Buller's and are concentrating a hot fire on Bulwana Hill, the Boer stronghold. It adds also that the Boers are retreating.

All the war correspondents agree, however, that the last position which must be carried before Ladysmith is reached is exceedingly strong and thus the likelihood of the British realizing the dream of Majuba being avenged, either at Paardeberg or Ladysmith on this particular day is not particularly strong.

Cronje Still in His Trench.

Press dispatches dated Sunday say that Cronje is still obstinately defiant, and has 4,000 men with him, and his position, though situated in the river bed, is regarded as remarkably strong. He has no lack of either food or ammunition. Prisoners are quoted as saying that Cronje's forces have given up hope and are anxious to surrender, but that the Commandant has shown no signs of giving in. The pretty romance exploited about Cronje's wife appealing to her husband with tears in her eyes to surrender is exploded, as Mrs. Cronje is not with the General, and it is not considered likely that she wired him any such advice. While Mrs. Cronje is not at Paardeberg, the wives and children of several other officers are in the camp.

Preparing for Storming.

It does not seem that the bombardment has continued for the last couple of days with the same vigor as at first, as the telegrams speak of intermittent artillery fire. This is probably explained by the fact that Roberts had his engineers busy carrying a sap up to Cronje's works preparatory to storming the position. The Boers are pinning their faith on the hope of being able to hold off the British until they are reinforced and able to cut their way through.

So far no considerable numbers of Boers have succeeded in joining Cronje, but General De Wet is moving rapidly, in the hope of finding a weak spot in the British cordon.

Rough Times at Mafeking.

Yesterday's advices from Mafeking via Gaberons is not quite so reassuring as most of its predecessors.

On the 16th bullets were falling everywhere, a state of things described as exceedingly vicious to the military mind, as a hail of bullets is much more dangerous than a succession of shells. In the meantime Colonel Plumer is receiving reinforcements from Salisbury.

Boers Show Some Alarm.

A dispatch to the Daily News from Lourenzo Marques of Saturday say 5,000 burghers are reported to have left Ladysmith for the Free State, where the Boers are concentrating, thirty miles outside of Bloemfontein. The Free State government is moving to Windburg, and reinforcements from all parts are passing through Bloemfontein hourly. President Steyn has telegraphed to President Kruger that Roberts is within a few hours of Bloemfontein, and urges that every male, irrespective of nationality, be commandeered.

Steyn is said to have favored peace, and the Boer General in command at Colenso has sent a message to Kruger stating that he got smashed up there and recommending overtures of peace.

Mafeking Burghers Tired.

The burghers around Mafeking are also reported to have sent word to Kruger that they preferred defending their own farms to fighting elsewhere.

The Pretoria government is paying its debts in bar gold, as the English professional coiners have refused to work.

A private telegram received by William Macdonald, the brother of General Macdonald, describes the exact nature of the wound the latter received at Paardeberg. He was

leading the Highland Brigade attack when he was struck below the kneecap by a Mauser bullet, which went round behind the knee and, traveling upwards, emerged just below the hip, and then penetrated the saddle and killed the General's horse. The wound did not appear serious, and the General felt confident he would soon be able to take the field again.

Assemble to Oppose Roberts.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

LONDON, Feb. 27, 4:20 a. m.—The Boers are assembling an army near Bloemfontein with which to dispute the invasion of Lord Roberts. This intelligence comes from Pretoria by way of Lourenzo Marquez. The commandoes are described as "hastening from all quarters of the two republics."

No estimate is made of their numbers, but the withdrawal of the Boers from most of the places where they have been in contact with the British except the district near Ladysmith may raise the resisting force to 30,000 men. This figure assumes that the Boers have between 60,000 and 70,000 men in the field.

The gathering of this army across the path of Lord Roberts gives significance to the General Cronje's steadfast defense. He has engaged the corps of Lord Roberts for ten days now, and, whether he is relieved or not, he has given time for the dispersed Boer fractions to get together and to prepare positions to receive the British advance when Cronje is overcome and Lord Roberts moves forward.

Dismount Cronje Gun.

A dispatch to the Daily Chronicle from Paardeberg, dated Friday, Feb. 23, says:

"General Cronje's attempt to mount guns was frustrated by our artillery."

Says Cronje Is in Burrows.

A special dispatch from Paardeberg, published in the Daily Chronicle and dated on Saturday, Feb. 24, says:

"A balloon has discovered the enemy well covered by a system of burrowing in the river bank, which resembles a rabbit warren and affords shell-proof positions."

Small bodies of Boers, apparently, are able to make their escape, causing comparison here between the Boer methods of investment, with their quickly dug, surrounding trenches, impassable barbed wire, etc., and those of the British.

Like Ladysmith Reversed.

The military critics, though little better informed as to the Commander-in-Chief's motives than the public, are inclining to the view that, though the main cause of the prolongation of the Paardeberg tragedy undoubtedly consists in Lord Roberts being unwilling to risk the great loss of life which an assault would entail, his delay is also prompted by the subsidiary motive of attracting to Paardeberg as many reinforcing and relieving Boer units as will come, feeling strong enough to treat them as General Joubert treated General Buller's attempts to relieve Ladysmith. In other words, Lord Roberts holds a position almost analogous with that held so long by the Boers at Ladysmith.

Roberts Draws Closer.

In the meanwhile, Lord Roberts' engineers are sapping steadily towards the Boer lager, and, according to a special from Paardeberg, dated Sunday, Feb. 25, the cordon is gradually drawing closer.

In Cape Colony the British arms are steadily advancing. Barkley East is now in their possession, according to a dispatch from that district, the Boers evacuating the place, retreating on Lady Grey, and wiring President Steyn for reinforcements to prevent their surrender.

Roberts Receives More Guns.

Lord Roberts has recently received seventy-two additional pieces of artillery. Whether all have been sent to Paardeberg is not known.

Probably the eighth division will leave England next Monday.

The War office had nothing after midnight to indicate his collapse, and he may hold out for a few days.

White Works from Ladysmith.

General White's guns worked on Saturday upon the Boer positions, and a heliogram from Ladysmith reported that the Boers were retreating and that larger rations were being issued in view of the fact that relief seemed at hand.

The movement on the veldt away from the railway is becoming increasingly difficult for large bodies of troops, as the grass is burned up. General French has to wagon forage for his horses, and even the infantry finds the long marches harder than before, as forage for the transport animals must be carried. This requires the formation of garrisoned depots.

The ordinary campaigning season is over and the sickly season for both men and animals has set in.

General Buller on Saturday faced the last and strongest positions of the Boers who bar his way to Ladysmith. The strenuous fighting indicates a battle between armies, rather than rear guard actions protecting a retreat.

Losses of a Week.

The War office has issued an additional list of the casualties sustained by the Fifth Brigade, under General Buller, on Feb. 23 and 24, which includes seven officers killed, twenty-three wounded, and one missing.

General Buller, in a dispatch from Colenso dated Sunday, Feb. 25, reports that the British casualties on Feb. 20 were twelve killed and ninety-nine wounded, among the Somersets and Dorsets, and that on Feb. 22 and Feb. 23 twelve officers were wounded.

General Buller's death list contains the names of three Lieutenant Colonels—Thackeray of the First Royal Inniskilling Fusileers, Sitwell of the Second Royal Dublin Fusileers, and Thorold of the Royal Welsh Fusileers.

An additional list of the British causalties at Paardeberg, Feb. 18, is announced, and gives a Lieutenant and eight men killed, a Lieutenant and seven men missing, and thirty-eight men wounded.

Churchill's Latest Report.

Winston Churchill, in a dispatch to the Morning Post from Frere Camp, dated Sunday, says:

"The idea that the Boers are raising the siege of Ladysmith is premature. The advance is being pursued in the face of the most stubborn opposition and of heavy loss. President Kruger's grandson is among the Boers killed."

Mr. Churchill then proceeds to describe heavy fighting last Friday, in which the Inniskillings approached within 500 yards of the summit of a rocky Boer position, and then gallantly charged in the face of a hail of bullets. He says:

"After repeated attempts, however, and having lost heavily, they recognized that they were unable to prevail. Nevertheless they refused to retreat, but lay down on the slope behind a shelter of walls. The Connaughts and the Dublin Fusileers were sent to their support, but the light faded and the night closed in before the main attack had developed."

Spenser Wilkinson's article in the Morning Post today is almost wholly devoted to criticism of General Buller's apparently mistaken tactics in sending small forces to take positions and then reinforcing these by details, as revealed in the dispatch from Winston Churchill. Mr. Wilkinson admits, however, that Mr. Churchill's advices are too incomplete to enable a correct idea to be formed, since his dispatch breaks off in the middle, leaving the battle unfinished.

Natives Make Reprisals.

A dispatch from Gaberones, dated Thursday, Feb. 22, says:

"Chief Linchwo has reported that he made reprisals from the Boers near Secoal, killing a few men and capturing several wagons and oxen. There were some casualties on both sides.

"The Boers at Crocodile Pools notified Colonel Plumer that, fearing the natives would attack the wounded, they had placed their hospital within the lagers. Colonel Plumer replied that the ambulance would, of course, be respected, but the Boers, he said, could not expect good behavior from the natives while they were invading the territory of the natives."

To Celebrate Majuba Day.

The Pretoria government proclaimed Feb. 25 and Feb. 27 days of thanksgiving and prayer, presumably in memory of the battle of Majuba Hill.

Statue for Cecil Rhodes.

A dispatch from Kimberley says its inhabitants have planned to erect a statue to Cecil Rhodes in recognition of his services during the siege.

GERMAN DEFENSE OF ENGLAND.

Cologne Gazette Presents Transvaal Case from British Standpoint.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE BY D. B. MACDOWAN.]

BERLIN, Feb. 26.—During the first months of the war, when it was generally believed that England would win an easy victory, the Cologne Gazette, the traditional mouthpiece of the Foreign office, outdid the British journals in defending England's course. The repeated Boer successes, and to a less extent the German anger on account of the ship seizures, have gradually altered the Rhenish organ's tone, and instead of column long articles excusing or palliating the war one may now read sharp complaints of English greed and arrogance toward Germany.

Resumes Its Former Tone.

The war now having entered the stage at which it was expected to begin with the arrival of General Buller, the Gazette is constrained to resume its former tone, and prints a half page leader today entitled "Causes of the South African War," and pronounces the notion that the English volunteers are fighting simply to maintain stock quotations and to increase the gold dividends as foolish. The Transvaal history from the annexation in 1877 is critically examined, and the Gazette finds that the President of the burgers protested, but, nevertheless, accepted the pension England granted, and that Paul Kruger, then a member of the legislative body, drew the increased pay allowed under English sovereignty. Regarding the Boer victory and convention of 1881 it finds that the Boers themselves never disputed that they owed it to Gladstone's sympathy more than to their own courage. This is true to a still greater degree of the treaty of 1884, which it says England altered at their request. The Boers, however, immediately violated the treaty by annexing Stellaland and Bechuanaland. The Boers later withdrew their forces, but last year they proved the annexation had governmental authority by pensioning the officials appointed for the annexed territory.

Reviews Concession Troubles.

The franchise and dynamite questions are reviewed unfavorably to the Boers. The corruption charges are revived, and the Afrikanders' activity is charged as treason, and under these circumstances it is not strange that England gradually tired of African events and gave the uitlanders' complaints closer attention.

The article concludes: "We have attempted to explain England's position, and it is superfluous to say that the Boers and a greater part of the world think differently from England. It is not our task to determine which is right, but to show that one could without hypocrisy, and without doing the actual conditions violence, view the affairs in south Africa as the English government and people do."

STOP RELIEF SENT TO CRONJE.

Troops Under General Dewet Have Hard Day's Battle with British Near Paardeberg.

PAARDEBERG, Saturday, Feb. 24.—Yesterday there was a most interesting series of fights along the British front. One thousand Boers, commanded by General Dewet, who were known to be operating in the immediate front, at early dawn yesterday determined to attempt to break through the British lines and aid General Cronje. A body of 500 Boers moved toward the British left and cantered in the direction of a kopje with the object of occupying it.

Unfortunately for the Boers, however, the kopje was held by a company of Scottish Borderers, who opened a heavy fire. The Boers galloped off, but moved again towards another British position with exactly the same result.

They then made a third attempt to occupy another position, but the Borderers were again ready to receive them. The third repulse thoroughly disconcerted the Boers, who galloped away in a panic.

Race for a Kopje.

Later, perceiving another kopje, the Boers moved quickly toward it. This kopje was unoccupied, but the Borderers, not to be beaten, raced the Boers for the position and won, occupying the kopje and driving off the Boers.

A portion of the latter ultimately occupied a kopje flanked partially by the Borderers and facing another kopje held by the Yorkshires. A vigorous fusillade ensued, the British firing truly and accurately and succeeding in silencing the Boer fire.

Meanwhile the Buffs were ordered to reinforce the Yorkshires in case the Boers should be reinforced. The British attack worked around to the right of the kopje held by the Yorkshires, where the Seventh Battery was stationed, the Sixty-second Battery being placed at a farm near the center of the Borderers' position. A vigorous shelling, accompanied by a British fusillade, completely silenced the Boers. A company of Yorkshires was sent to clear out the Boers, but the attempt failed, the Boers opening a heavy fire and the British having no cover.

Boer Flight Checked by Maxims.

The British then again opened a heavy rifle fire, which again silenced the Boers. The Boers made several attempts to run, but the Maxims opened upon them effectually and checked them. The Buffs now worked carefully and cautiously around, and got within 150 yards of the Boers. Eighty Boers surrendered, but many, it appears, escaped, going singly.

Boers from Ladysmith.

Most of the prisoners had just arrived from Ladysmith. They complained of the bad generalship of their leader. Nearly every man carried explosive bullets, and five British were wounded with these missiles. I have seen the bullet, of which one Boer carried fifty.

There is no longer the slightest doubt that the Boers are gradually discarding all rules of civilized warfare. The other day they poured the contents of a Vickers-Maxim gun into an ambulance, which happened, however, to be empty, some 300 yards away from the nearest troops.

The war balloon is doing excellent service. Early this morning it arose to a great height and discovered in the bed of the river four wagons, which contained ammunition. These were exploded by the British shells an hour afterwards. The balloon observer also discovered a number of horses concealed nearby, and these also received attention from the British shrapnel.

The Gordons are now incorporated in the Highland brigade, making four kilted regiments. The Highland Light Infantry, who are not kilted, and are a fine body of men, are going to join General Smith-Dorrien's regiment.

RHODES SPEAKS OF DIAMONDS.

Says the Year's Profits of the De Beers Mines Are $10,000,000—War Without Reason.

KIMBERLEY, Saturday, Feb. 24.—Cecil Rhodes, presiding at a meeting of the De Beers company, delivered a remarkable speech which was received with enthusiasm.

After announcing that the year's profits of the De Beers company amounted to £2,000,000, he spoke of the Chartered company's transactions with De Beers and said that the shareholders were divided into two classes—imaginative and unimaginative. The latter, he said, passed their lives filling money bags that are dissipated by their offspring on wine, high living, and horses. To the latter class he stated that the transaction with the Chartered company had closed satisfactorily, as the De Beers company owned all the diamonds wherever its charter existed. To the imaginative he drew an eloquent picture of these mines 100 years hence as mirroring European civilization in the far south.

"The latter," he said, "feel a glow of satisfaction at the thought that the immense riches taken from the soil have not been merely devoted to the decoration of the fair sex."

Speaking of the war, he considered it a puzzle why it had arisen. The Transvaal and the Free State were not republics, he declared, but oligarchies, and had long been conspiring to seize British south Africa. Each government was simply a small political gang which humbugged the poor Dutchmen, appealing to their patriotism, and dividing the spoils among their coteries. The Afrikander had been working twenty years for independence. He said that the former President Reitz of the Orange Free State had years ago avowed that his only ambition in life was to drive England out of Africa.

After showing how Kimberley had been defended by citizens, of whom 120 had been killed or wounded, and thanking General French for his gallant ride, Mr. Rhodes closed brilliantly, asserting: "We have done our duty in preserving and protecting the greatest commercial asset in the world—her Majesty's flag."

MAFEKING SIEGE NOT ABATED.

Report from There Sent Out Feb. 16 Says Firing of Boers Continues.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE NEW YORK WORLD AND THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE BY MAJOR BAILLIE.]

MAFEKING, Feb. 16, by runner to Gaberones, Feb. 20.—All are well here. A dance was interrupted on Sunday, Feb. 11, by an alarm sounded announcing that the Boers intended to attack the town. There was some heavy firing by the Boers, but it was not effective. The next day—Monday, Feb. 12—Captain Girdwood (A.S.Kirkwood?), lately of the Third Royal Irish Rifles, was mortally wounded. He was universally held in high regard.

There was heavy night firing on Tuesday, the 13th, and on Wednesday, the 14th. "Creaky" (apparently the name of a Boer siege gun) was dismantled at nightfall on the 14th and had disappeared on the morning of the 15th (Thursday), but during the day turned up five miles west of Mafeking and began shelling the town at noon, the range at that distance being as favorable for it as that from its previous position, while it is inaccessible at present to the gradual advance of the British garrison (by running trenches).

The last advance made the Boers uneasy. There was firing all Thursday night. It was a pretty sight, but too much of that sort of thing palls upon one. Today, the 16th, bullets have been falling everywhere and viciously. The British guns occasionally stir up such a response.

IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Naval Estimates Explained by George J. Goschen, First Lord of the Admiralty.

LONDON, Feb. 26.—In introducing the naval estimates in the House of Commons today Mr. George J. Goschen, First Lord of the Admiralty, said there was nothing spasmodic or sensational therein. The total, with the expected additions, he added, would be £30,000,000.

Continuing, Mr. Goschen said that Great Britain was not menaced by any naval power. Europe knew her strength and the number of ships she possessed. There were times when a demonstration was advisable, but the government did not think it advisable upon this occasion.

Dealing with the construction of fresh ironclads, Mr. Goschen remarked that The Hague convention already seemed a thing of the dim past. When the peace conference was called he suggested that possibly the beginning of further building of battleships might be suspended with the view of ascertaining the sentiments of the conference.

Great Britain alone, he added, suggested a reduction of armaments, but nothing was done, and in the six months since the conference more gigantic programs, stretching forward eight, sixteen, and eighteen years, had been put forward than ever before had entered the minds of the powers. Great Britain proposed to spend in 1900-1901 £8,460,000, Russia £4,800,000, and France £4,154,000, the two latter together spending £8,454,000, or £6,000 less than Great Britain. The reporter for the French Naval committee had asserted that the material was 40 per cent and labor 10 per cent higher in France than in England, and Mr. Goschen therefore judged that the cost of shipbuilding in France and Russia averaged 20 per cent dearer than in Great Britain.

"Therefore," he explained, "our expenditure of £8,460,000 gives Great Britain an advantage of £1,700,000, or enough to build an additional ironclad and a crusier. These large foreign programs must not alarm the country, but we must keep abreast of these great developments of naval power which have occurred not only in Europe but in the United States and Japan."

SHOOTS AT ELEVATED TRAIN.

Angry Colored Man Fires Two Bullets, One of Which Strikes a Car.

Passengers on a north-bound South Side elevated train were startled last night by two revolver shots that were fired at the train. The shooting took place shortly after 10 o'clock. The shots were fired by a colored man, who was angered because Conductor John P. Lannion refused to stop the train at Forty-third street after it had started to leave the station. One of the bullets struck the rear car, but the second went wild. It is thought that the colored man intended to kill the conductor.

LANGTRY RECITES TO QUAKERS.

Philadelphia Society Turns Out in Force and War Fund Is Richer by $4,000.

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—Society turned out in full force this afternoon to attend the much discussed Langtry entertainment at the Broad Street Theater. The house was filled to the doors, and $4,000 raised for the British war fund. Mrs. Langtry, in her khaki dress, received a storm of applause when she finished Kipling's poem and stood with bare arms outstretched imploring "Pay, pay, pay."

SCORE "PULL" IN SCHOOLS.

(Continued from first page.)

trusted to two competent experts, one for the educational department and the other for the business department. The assignment of executive functions to subcommittees of the board was the point at which the present system utterly breaks down, he said.

"How could it be otherwise?" he asked. "I am not acquainted with the personal composition of the School committee of Chicago, but I know what are in the cities around Cambridge, where I live. An important part of the School committee's executive work is assigned to a committee of three persons. One is an excellent grocer, another is a tolerably good tinsmith, another is an extremely incompetent and vulgar physician. And an important part of the executive work of that School committee is intrusted to those three persons, not one of whom has the slightest competency of performing it. Then, to add to the difficulty, these special committees are all the time shifting. They have no executive experience. Even these people might learn something [laughter] if they only had the opportunity."

He summed up his estimate of one-man power with:

"I have been President of a university for thirty years and some people say I know something of one-man power. I want to testify in the first place that it is an effective thing. In the next place it is an absolutely American thing. And lastly it has nothing whatever to do with despotism. Is the engineer guiding his engine on the railroad track a despot? There isn't a better example of one-man power in the world. This one-man power is necessary to efficiency."

Wheeler Talks of Book Lobbies.

President Wheeler considered one topic not discussed by the other speakers, the relation of book companies to teachers' conventions and Boards of Education. He said:

"There is no doubt about it that around every teachers' convention there is a book firm lobby. There is no doubt that every schoolboy is subject to the temptations and the false influences of the school book lobby. That is the kind of politics I would rather talk about than national politics. There are influences of that sort at work, controlling teachers' conventions, setting up and putting down, putting men in as presiding officers and secretaryships, and on committees in order that they may represent book firms, in order that they may carry their influence down into school committees and influence the placing of text books. There are things that work here that need the light."

Hall Is Well Filled.

Members of the Board of Education and the City Council were well represented at the mass-meeting, and professional men, teachers, and other citizens filled the hall. Among those who were on the stage were:

David Starr Jordan, President Leland Stanford University.
Dr. William T. Harris, United States Commissioner.
Dr. W. O. Atwater, Middletown, Conn.
Professor Ira Remsen, Johns Hopkins.
Miss Estelle Reel, Superintendent of Indian Schools.
Augustus S. Downing, President Department of Superintendents, National Educational association.
E. Benjamin Andrews.
Bishop Samuel Fallows.
Mrs. Caroline K. Sherman.
Orville T. Bright, Cook County Superintendent of Schools.
Mrs. Lucy L. Flower.
Miss Mary E. Lynch, President Chicago Teachers' club.
Andrew McLeish.
Mr. and Mrs. George W. Kretzinger.
Dr. Sarah Hackett Stevenson.
Miss Catharine Goggin.
M. H. Gross.
Joseph Stolz.

TALK OF NATIONAL UNIVERSITY.

Members of Educational Association Committee Fail to Agree on a Report on the Subject.

A committee of the Board of Superintendence of the National Educational association met at the Auditorium Hotel yesterday to consider a report from a subcommittee on recommendations for a national university at Washington. No agreement was reached, and the subject will be considered again today. The report as adopted will be presented to the National Educational council.

President Harper of the University of Chicago is the chairman of the committee. Among its members are President Charles W. Eliot of Harvard, William T. Harris, United States Commissioner of Education; Professor Nicholas Murray Butler of Columbia, and Superintendent A. C. Dougherty of the Peoria schools.

The full committee has declared itself as not favorable to the idea of a national university. The committee has declared the need is for some method of placing the scientific material gathered by the government at the disposal of students of all universities. The method of accomplishing this was the subject of the committee report.

Professor W. O. Atwater of Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn., brought with him the apparatus by which he will endeavor to demonstrate to the superintendents that alcohol is a food. Other delegates and speakers arriving were:

President Andrew S. Draper of the University of Illinois, President David S. Jordan of Leland Stanford University, Professor Arthur Allen of the University of Colorado, Dr. James E. Russell, dean of the Teachers' College, Columbia University; Superintendent L. H. Jones of Cleveland, Dr. E. O. Lyhte, Secretary of the Pennsylvania State Normal School, Millersburg, Pa.; Superintendent J. H. Van Sickel of Denver, August S. Downing, and W. H. Page of New York.

The program for today's sessions will consist of an address of welcome by Dr. Andrews and addresses by Nicholas Murray Butler, Frank J. Browne, and L. D. Harvey. President Eliot, William T. Harris, Frank B. Cooper, W. T. Carrington, Alfred Bayliss, and John A. Carnagey will take part in the discussions.

JOIN IN PROF. GEDDES' PLAN.

Meeting at Teachers' College Takes Steps for Representation at International Educational Assembly.

At a meeting held at the lecture hall of the Teachers' College, Fine Arts Building, yesterday forenoon steps were taken to secure the representation of the United States at the first international assembly of the Association for the Advancement of Science, Art, and Education, to be held at the Paris exposition this year. Committees have been organized in Paris and London, and at yesterday's meeting the first American committee was formed. The meeting had been called by Professor Patrick Geddes, the secretary of the British group of the international association, who came to this country for the purpose of organizing committees in New York, Boston, and Chicago.

On motion of Professor John Dewey it was resolved that the meeting form a committee for Chicago and to invite the following to act as an Executive committee with power to appoint additional members:

Franklin H. Head.
William R. Harper.
Henry Wade Rogers.
Charles Zuehlin.
John Dewey.
Professor Vincent.
Dr. Paul Carus.
Charles W. French.
Mrs. Potter Palmer.
Mrs. Charles Henrotin.
Mrs. Emmons Blaine.
Miss Jane Addams.
Mrs. H. M. Wilmarth.

Professor Geddes lectured in the afternoon before an invited audience of 150 persons at the house of Mrs. Emmons Blaine on "Paris in 1900." Tonight he will leave for Pittsburg.

WALTER W. ATWOOD IS CHOSEN.

Selected as Temporary Successor to E. R. Boyer in Chicago Institute Faculty.

Walter W. Atwood, recently an instructor in the University of Chicago, was selected yesterday as a temporary successor to E. R. Boyer as director of the Chicago Institute.

The School board Committee on German refuses to be dictated to by the Finance committee. The latter, in making an appropriation of $135,000 for the teaching of German, accompanied it with a list of recommendations.

The appropriation, although sufficient for the cost of German teaching for eight months only, was accepted, but the recommendations were rejected. The cost of German for the full year of nine months would be $153,237. The deficit will be made up by cutting salaries, it is planned.

Speaking of a good champagne brings in mind Cook's Imperial Champagne Extra Dry. The wine that sparkles.

FOR A NEW FLOUR TRUST.

RECEIVERSHIP ACTION PART OF REORGANIZATION SCHEME.

Friendly Suit Brought in Three States by Majority Stockholders in Anticipation of Action by Minority Which Might Have Obstructed New Plans of Operation — Financial Troubles Due to Failure to Sell Bond Issue for Purchase of Mills.

Milwaukee, Wis., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—After trying in vain for a year past to float its securities, and because of its policy of using up its working capital in the purchase of new plants, and not provide for more capital, the United States Milling company, otherwise known as the flour trust, was placed in the hands of receivers in the United States Circuit Court today. The receivers are as follows: Daniel Thomas of New York, Charles E. Kimball of Summit, N. J., and Albert C. Loring of Minneapolis. The same receivers were named by Judge Lacomb in New York and by Judge Lockran in Minneapolis.

The troubles of the flour trust began a year ago, when the bonds began to fall in price, and it was found the company could not go on under its management. To add to the complexities the Hecker-Jones-Jewell company, stockholders, owning mills in New York and large interests in Western plants, brought a suit looking to withdrawal from the consolidation. On Jan. 29 a committee started to work to reorganize the company, and put its business on a better basis. The members of this committee are: General Samuel Thomas, Edwin Gould, J. Edward Simmons, Warner Van Norden, Brayton Ives, William Lanman Bell, and Thomas A. McIntyre, with George William Ballou as secretary. Today was the limit date for the deposit of stock for the reorganization.

Part of Reorganization Plan.

The court proceedings instituted today are for the purpose of extricating the company from financial difficulties, which the managers have been unable to overcome. The trust is not to be dissolved, but the work of reorganization, which has been on for some months, is to continue, and out of the maze of legal proceedings which will wind up the affairs of the United States Milling company a new company, to be known as the Standard Milling company, will come.

This new company will control all of the properties which are now controlled by the trust, and more properties may be acquired. This new company is practically formed now, as a majority of the stock and bond holders of the United States Milling company have consented to the plan of reorganization and will go into the new trust. There is a minority of the bond and stock holders of the United States Milling company who would not consent to the plan of reorganization, but the receivers of the trust—Daniel Thomas of New York, Charles E. Kimball of Summit, N. J., and Albert C. Loring of Minneapolis—are said to be friendly to the majority plan and were named by the majority interests.

The real trouble of the trust began at the time it acquired control of the Northwestern Consolidated Milling company of Minneapolis. Before that purchase was made the trust had $2,200,000 working capital in its treasury. It purchased this mill with the idea that it would be able to pay for it out of bonds which it was to float. It had at that time about $4,000,000 of bonds in its treasury. It did not wait to sell the bonds before paying for the Northwestern Consolidated, but took the purchase money, about $1,500,000, out of the cash in its treasury. This reduced its capital so that it found it practically impossible to continue business. It then attempted to float its treasury bonds. This was last April. The stringency in the money market came at that time, and it found it was impossible to sell any bonds not only because of the tightness of the money market but because of the fear of the investing public against industrial securities.

Working Capital Impaired.

If the trust had not reached out and impaired its working capital it would have been able to continue without going into the hands of receivers. The company was then forced in order to get some working capital to borrow money. It has interest amounting to $144,000 due which it is unable to pay, and there will shortly fall due $394,000 more, which it cannot meet. There was no way in which the majority could get the minority to acquiesce in the plan of reorganization, so the majority of the stockholders, rather than wait for a receivership to come from the minority, took the steps which have put the trust in the hands of receivers.

In the order appointing the receivers they are directed to proceed with the operation of such mills as have not been shut down, and they are required to proceed to carry out contracts on hand. An injunction is issued restraining all parties from interfering with the receivers or from bringing suit. All creditors must file their claims in the receivership proceedings. The officers, directors, and agents of the company are commanded to surrender the property to the receivers forthwith. The receivers are ordered to file an inventory within sixty days, and creditors in Wisconsin have until Jan. 1, 1902, in which to file claims.

Companies in the Trust.

The United States Milling company was formed with a capital stock of $25,000,000 on April 27, 1898, having secured control of the following flour milling property:

In Milwaukee—The Daisy and Faist-Kraus mills.

In Superior—The Lake Superior, the Anchor, and the Listmann mills.

In West Superior—The Grand Republic, the Freeman, and the Minkota mills.

In Minneapolis—The Excelsior, the Standard, and St. Anthony mills, together with 95 per cent of the capital stock of the Northwestern Consolidated Milling company, which operates and owns five big flour mills.

In Duluth—The Imperial and constructed terminal elevators.

In New York State—The Syracuse mills, the Baldwinsville mills, and the Urban mill.

In New Jersey—Ninety-five per cent of the Hecker-Jones-Jewell Milling company, which operates and owns four large mills.

Today's proceedings will have to be instituted in every circuit where the company owns property. The bond fixed by the New Jersey court is $100,000 in each case. Judge Jenkins requires them to give an additional bond of $25,000 each. While the original suit is in New Jersey, the greatest litigation will probably be in Wisconsin, as the majority of the company's property is in this State.

The capital of the company is divided into 250,000 shares of the value of $100 each. Mr. Ballou owns $50,000 worth of the stock. On May 1, 1899, the company mortgaged all of its properties to the Central Trust company of New York to secure an issue of $15,000,000 of 6 per cent gold bonds, of which $8,004,000 have been floated. On Nov. 16, 1899, the company mortgaged $750,000 of the gold bonds and 9,000 shares of the preferred stock of the Northwestern Consolidated Milling company to secure an issuance of $3,000,000 trust bonds, of which $1,077,000 have been placed on the market, the total amount of the bonds floated being $7,081,000. On top of these the company has outstanding $1,500,000 of its first mortgage bonds pledged as collateral and $1,496,000 deposited with the Central Trust company to be exchanged for an equal amount of the Hecker-Jones-Jewell company, and $391,000 pledged as further collateral.

Statement by General Counsel.

New York, Feb. 26.—General counsel for the receivers of the United States Flour Milling company tonight made the following statement:

The properties of the United States Flour Milling company comprise three mills in New York State, eight in Wisconsin, and five in Minnesota, beside the ownership of over 95 per cent of the Hecker-Jones-Jewell Milling company, owning four mills in New York, and over 88 per cent of the Northwestern Consolidated Milling company, owning five mills in Minnesota, in addition to about $1,500,000 of merchandise and quick assets, all together recently valued at $15,000,000. The company was struggling against the disadvantages of inadequate capital and a floating indebtedness of more than $2,000,000 has been created. The pressure of this debt has compelled the company to suspend payment.

Receivership Inevitable.

Mr. Ballou, secretary of the Reorganization committee, made the following statement:

This appointment of a receiver was asked for by a stockholder and was forced upon us by creditors, but has been carried through with the consent of the committee. It was inevitable and the best thing to do under the circumstances. Just about this time a large number of obligations are coming due, especially in the West, and this receivership was the only solution of the problem. It will help on the reorganization. It will force stockholders who have been hanging out into the reorganization. The committee will now go in and carry out its scheme of reorganization to the end without trouble. Today being the last day for the deposit of stock for reorganization had nothing to do with the appointment of a receiver. It was merely a coincidence. The committee already had enough stock in hand, together with the securities we have made loans on and can force in, to declare the plan of reorganization operative. Neither did the Hecker-Jones-Jewell matter have anything to do with it. It was inevitable, as I said—large debts maturing just now that we could not have carried. The receivership will compel stock to come in to avoid bankruptcy, and the reorganization will go on and be carried into effect.

A meeting of the Reorganization committee was held this afternoon, but the action taken by it could not be learned.

All a Friendly Proceeding.

Minneapolis, Minn., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—A. C. Loring, one of the receivers for the property of the flour combine in Minnesota, is Vice President of the concern. He declares the reorganization is going on according to program, and the appointment of receivers is a part of it. The Minneapolis flour mills are not affected, in any event.

CHARGES GLASS TRUST FRAUD.

De Pauw University Asks for an Accounting and the Appointment of a Receiver.

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—The details of the suit brought by De Pauw University against the officers of the American Plate Glass company were made public today and comprise a series of direct charges of fraud and an appeal for an accounting and the appointment of a receiver.

When the complaint was originally filed in the Superior Court the papers were immediately taken away, and the exact nature of the suit was not revealed. The complaint was, for the first time, left in charge of the court today. Judge McMaster issued an order for the examination of W. L. Kann, President, and S. J. Mack, Secretary and Treasurer of the company, before a person authorized to take depositions at Alexandria March 15 and to produce the books and papers of the company for examination.

The complaint set forth that W. L. Kann, President; I. Gukenheimer, Vice President; S. J. Mack, Secretary and Treasurer, and others got control of the affairs of the American Plate Glass company, whose capital stock is $1,000,000, and conspired to defraud the minority stockholders by so manipulating the business as to make it appear there was a loss, and forcing them to sell out at a low price at a time when glass was selling at a profit of 100 per cent.

Kann had active supervision and control of the business, and it is averred that he and the others caused to be organized the Pennsylvania Plate Glass company, in Pennsylvania, which, it is alleged, is only a colorable organization, an instrument in the conspiracy, and that it is controlled by the same officers and directors, Kann being President.

It is averred the output of the American Glass company at Alexandria was sold at immense profit, most shipments being direct from Alexandria, but that Kann and others procured papers to be exchanged by which it appears the glass was sold by the American company to the Pennsylvania company at a price far below the real value, and that papers were sent out in the name of the Pennsylvania company to the final purchasers, making it appear to the public that the Pennsylvania company owned the glass, for which a much larger price was collected.

It is alleged that, prior to January, 1900, hundreds of thousands of dollars of profits were secretly and fraudulently taken from the American Plate Glass company by the defendant officers and trustees and divided among themselves or set apart for personal use on the pretense of paying such profits to the Pennsylvania Plate Glass company. It is stated that, when the plaintiff learned of this, a formal written notice of protest was sent on Jan. 9 last.

It is averred that the defendants caused third parties to approach the plaintiff to buy its stock at prices far below its value. It is alleged that the defendants accomplished their purpose as to buying out minority stockholders to the extent that they controlled more than $950,000 of the stock.

Damages of $25,000 are, therefore, asked by the plaintiff, the par value of whose stock is $27,000. In a second paragraph of the complaint it is set forth that the American Plate Glass company has a mortgage debt of $500,000, due in ten months, which can be paid out of the profits of the company, also a floating debt which it is able to pay, but that Kann and the other officers intend to make it appear that the American company cannot meet the debt without the help of the Pennsylvania company or other outside help which it cannot procure, in order to make it appear to the plaintiff and others that the entire capital stock is in danger of being wiped out.

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New upright pianos, of medium size, in a variety of woods. Hallet & Davis' price, $185. Our sale price, $135.

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A large number of new upright pianos, manufacturers' samples, large size cabinet grand, double-roll fallboard, dust music desk, three pedals, 7⅓ octaves, in various designs and variety of woods. Hallet & Davis' regular price, $225 to $275; our sale price, $150 to $190.

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1 Hallet & Davis Baby Grand, nearly new; regular price, $750; sale price, $290.

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In this sale are also included a number of used pianos of various makers, at *quick-selling prices.*

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Any used instrument bought at this sale may be returned to us at any time within two years and we will allow the full amount paid toward any new Kimball piano in our stock of higher price.

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PRICE SET FOR ISLANDS.

DENMARK HAS OFFER OF $5,500,000 FROM UNITED STATES.

Report from Copenhagen That the Minister of Finance Will Today Lay Before the Ways and Means Committee a Proposition for the Sale of the West Indies Possessions—Public Opposition Develops—Holland Willing to Sell, It is Said.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE BY ARTHUR L. CLARKE.]

LONDON, Feb. 25.—A dispatch to the Morning Post from Copenhagen says:

"The Washington government has sent the Danish government a bid of $5,500,000 for the Danish West Indian Islands, and tomorrow the Danish Finance Minister will lay the matter before the Ways and Means committee.

"A strong opinion, however, has suddenly sprung up among our people against the sale of the islands, which they would retain from patriotic as well as practical reasons.

"King Christian and the Crown Prince are said to concur in the opinion of this opposition."

Holland Willing to Sell.

The Post also has a dispatch from Brussels, which says:

"It is learned at The Hague that Holland is willing to sell to America her possessions in the Lesser Antilles—viz.: the Islands of Steustatius, Juba, and half of the Island of St. Martin, of which the other half belongs to France. These islands continue to be a heavy charge on the budget of Holland."

Protest Against Haste.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 26.—At a meeting Sunday of prominent men, representing all political parties, under the Presidency of Judge Madvig, President of the Court of Justice, a resolution was passed requesting the Rigsdag to thoroughly canvass the subject before taking any steps in regard to the sale of the Danish West Indies. Most of the speakers opposed the sale of the islands, though some merchants favored the idea.

Finds Islands a Burden.

New York, Feb. 26.—Carl Fische-Hanson of this city, who is acting for the Danish government in the negotiations for the sale of the Danish West Indies to the United States, said today that Denmark was willing to be rid of the islands because they have ceased to be of any use to the mother country and involve an unnecessary expense of $100,000 a year.

The beet sugar industry has sprung up in Denmark, supplanting the West Indian product and leaving the refineries of the Indies valueless.

No Doubt of Negotiations.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—There is no doubt that negotiations have been going on between the governments at Washington and Copenhagen regarding the sale of the Danish West Indies to the United States. It is the purpose of Secretary Hay to have the most favorable terms procurable stipulated in a treaty, which can then be submitted to the Senate. Of course, the State department officials explain, no actual bid has been or can be made by this country. All that can be done is to induce the Danish government to fix a definite figure for the consideration of the Senate. The administration, it is understood, is not definitely committed to the purchase.

WORK OF EDUCATING CUBANS.

School System Rapidly Being Extended Throughout the Island—Methods of Spain.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE BY GEORGE E. HOOKER.]

HAVANA, Feb. 26.—The special committee today handed to Governor General Wood for his approval its awards on bids for $600,000 worth of school furniture, to be furnished within the next ninety days. After this is installed the next special work will be the appointment of 300 teachers of English and the organization of night schools.

From fairly accurate statistics Superintendent Frye estimates that 150,000 pupils are today in the 3,000 schools of the island. The attendance in 1894 was less than 35,000.

Supplies have already been distributed for 100,000 pupils, and another order for the same number will be sent out tomorrow. Text books are furnished free.

The expenditure for the public schools of Cuba this year, all of which comes from the customs receipts of the island, will be about $4,000,000. The construction of school buildings in the remote districts probably will be begun this year from the general funds.

Spanish School System.

Private houses are now rented under the Spanish school system, which provided that the teachers, with their families, should live in such houses, the rent being part payment for their services. They also collected fees from children whose parents could pay. The balance of their compensation was often much in arrears, and many of the teachers have not been paid for their work for the last two and one-half years prior to American occupation.

No one is allowed to live in the schoolhouses now. The salaries range from $50 to $75 per month, according to the size of the municipality. The principals receive $10 extra per month. No certificates are required of the teachers this year, but will be after Aug. 1.

The teachers are appointed by the local Boards of Education, which in turn are appointed by the Mayors.

The whole school system is under Superintendent Frye of Boston, who was appointed by General Brooke, and two Cuban associates, appointed by Governor General Wood. Each province also has an inspector.

The teachers will be paid their regular salaries during vacation, provided they spend the time in normal or preparatory work.

Plans for Normal Course.

The establishment of normal schools is under consideration, the plan being to take 1,000 or more teachers to Harvard for the summer normal course and then for a tour through the United States.

The cost is to be borne by communities, or, if need be, by the revenues of the island.

Havana University and one high school for each province existed under the old regime, though three high schools were discontinued. All now are in operation except one, and that is about to be opened. The parochial system of schools was never abolished by the church, but there are four ecclesiastical schools in Havana and others in other parts of the island. There are also numerous private schools where children of well-to-do parents heretofore have been educated.

Probably 80 per cent of the population, however, is illiterate.

Give Minstrel Show and Ball.

The Chicago Council, Young Men's Institute, gave a minstrel show and a ball at West Side Turner Hall last night. J. Barrett, James C. O'Brien, A. Gibbons, and J. Norton were among the participants in the show.

NEWS OF EUROPE BY TRIBUNE CORRESPONDENTS

BOLD MOVE OF FRENCH.

SAID TO HAVE TROOPS OVER THE MOROCCO BORDER.

Reported at Tafilet, 170 Miles Beyond Limits of Established Frontier—If True, It Will Be Resented as Threat Against Gibraltar — Joseph Chamberlain Has Gout—Queer Dinner at Camera Club — Inventor's Strange Insanity.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE BY ARTHUR L. CLARKE.]

LONDON, Feb. 27.—A special to the Morning Leader from Mogador, Morocco, says:

"Startling news has reached me to the effect that a large number of French troops are in possession of Tafilet. If the report is well founded serious consequences may result."

Tafilet is an oasis lying at the east end of the Jebel Bani range, 200 miles east of Morocco City and 170 miles distant from the nearest point of the French Algerian frontier. An attempt to seize land in the Sultan's kingdom will be strenuously opposed by Great Britain, as the strategic importance of Gibraltar would cease were the French to occupy Tangier or Ceuta.

Chamberlain Has the Gout.

Joseph Chamberlain, the Colonial Secretary, has been confined to his London residence for a couple of days by an attack of the gout.

Estimate of Australian Vote.

The total representatives under the Australian federation scheme, based on population, will be sixty-two, divided as follows: New South Wales, twenty-three; Victoria, twenty; Queensland, eight; South Australia, six, and Tasmania, five.

Famous Publisher Dead.

Andrew White Tuer, the famous publisher, is dead. He was an ardent student of old prints and engravings and an acknowledged authority on these subjects.

Joke of Wounded Sergeant.

A jocular sergeant of the Second East Surrey, named Conen, who was hit just under the eye at Paardeberg, threw up his hand and shouted: "Conen, bull's-eye, score five," and then went to the rear to be medically treated.

Will Not Punish Contractors.

For some unexplained reason the contractors who have supplied inferior stores to the army are not to be prosecuted. A list has been prepared, however, and all are to be cut off from further orders.

Goes Insane by Threes.

Percy Carlyle Gilchrist, the famous and wealthy inventor who discovered the process of making steel from phosphoric pig iron and a member of various learned societies, has been adjudged insane. He imagined the world to be governed by threes. He spent a third of a day in cleansing himself, a third in eating, and a third at leisure. His clothes he always folded in threes, and insisted the creation began not with Adam and Eve but with three couples.

Croker Still on Crutches.

Richard Croker is still using crutches, but is improving slowly. He has left his country place at Wantage supposedly on a trip to the continent.

Gives Remarkable Lunch.

Henry Stevens gave a remarkable luncheon to the Camera club yesterday. The bill of fare included an emu egg omelette, kangaroos' tails, saddle of reindeer, and crocodile eggs. The emu egg weighed two pounds.

Gives Theater for Hospital.

Alfred Cooper of Surbiton has turned his private theater into a hospital for wounded soldiers, and it is equipped and will be supported at his expense throughout the war.

THINK AWARDS NOT FAIR

PARIS AGITATED BY LATEST LEGION OF HONOR LIST.

Waldeck-Rousseau and Millerand Accused of Using Orders for Political Rewards — Brother of Captain of Bourgogne Is Included—Millerand Remembers His Wife's Dressmaker —Prosecution of Assumptionists Goes On—Loss at St. Ouen Fire.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE BY GRACE CORNEAU.]

PARIS, Feb. 26.—The promotions in the Legion of Honor by Waldeck-Rousseau and Millerand are much criticised, and for the first time in the history of the order nominations are openly given as election spoils to successful political bosses. Waldeck-Rousseau pursuing "to the victor belong the spoils" system, while America is trying to get rid of it by civil service laws.

Premier Snubs Catholics.

As Prime Minister, Waldeck-Rousseau had the right to decorate the ecclesiastics, but the Premier showed his hatred of the Catholics by omitting all priests from the list, but gave a decoration to the Jewish rabbi, Bloch, and the Protestant minister, Gout.

Millerand's Remarkable List.

Millerand's promotions have created a scandal, among them being Duval, who runs cheap restaurants in Paris, and Paquin, the fashionable dressmaker who undertook to make Mme. Millerand stylish clothes, so that the Socialist's wife might shine in official society. The credit for running the dressmaking establishment belongs entirely to Mme. Paquin, and having her husband decorated is as near to recognition as a Frenchwoman usually gets for her cleverness.

For Brother of Bourgogne's Captain.

The most extraordinary of all the decorations is that of Charles Delonclе, a brother of the Captain of the Bourgogne, given, as the papers state, in recognition of the heroic death of his brother, the Captain.

This same reason was recently given as an excuse for dismissing the French company from responsibility for drowning the passengers, and it only now remains for the French government to decorate the sailors who slaughtered the women passengers, on the ground that it did good to get rid of the "salles Anglaises," as the French say, there being only one Anglo-Saxon race for France, in which Americans and English are included.

Second Trial of Assumptionists.

The prosecution of the Assumptionists, who appealed their case, began again today. The Procurator for the republic vigorously attacked the priests and accused them of conducting an illegal association. He declared that the order was not even upheld or approved by the Pope.

Archbishop's Pastoral Letter.

Final sentence is to be given tomorrow and will no doubt be an affirmation of the first verdict dissolving the order.

The irrepressible Archbishop of Aix has written a pastoral letter, which commences: "Blessed are those who suffer persecution for justice sake," and then tells his congregation how he rejoices that he has suffered such persecution.

Waldeck-Rousseau insists, in a letter to the Pope, that the rebellious prelate must be forced to resign by the Vatican.

Damage of St. Ouen Fire.

As a result of the fire at Saint Ouen vast stores of alcohol were destroyed, 200 persons wounded, and 240 are left homeless.

President Loubet has sent personal aid to the houseless families.

GIVE NO AID TO BOERS.

BERLIN JOURNAL SAYS ALL PRUSSIAN OFFICERS ARE ACCOUNTED FOR.

Asserts That Only Three Whose Motives in Securing Discharge Might Have Been Suspected Are Violating No Propriety—Russian Minister to Turkey Said to Have Made Direct Demand to Sultan—Miquel Defends Department Store Tax.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE BY D. B. MACGOWAN.]

BERLIN, Feb. 26.—The Neueste Nachrichten semi-officially states that of the only three Prussian officers who secured discharge with the apparent intention of going to the Transvaal, Baron von Reitzenstein is now returning as ordered; Lieutenant Gentz is now a war correspondent for German papers, and Lieutenant Tiehsen has declared in writing his intention of entering business in England.

Others Not of the Army.

The other alleged Prussian officers in the Transvaal, it says, were either never officers or are former officers who were discharged before the war.

Makes Positive Russian Demands.

The Frankfort Zeitung's Constantinople correspondent states that the Russian Ambassador, Zinoview, had an hour and a half audience with the Sultan, wherein the Foreign Minister and the palace secretary participated.

Zinoview, it is said, pronounced the recent promises regarding railway concessions in northeastern Asia Minor as unsatisfactory and demanded more definite and enlarged concessions. The Sultan, it is said, was deeply impressed when Zinoview brought the Russian demand for a return of fugitive Armenians to their homes into the conversation and using almost threatening language by asserting that Russia required full compensation for the Bagdad concession.

Different Version from Army.

A General of the staff of the Fourth Army Corps has another version, and says that the entire general staff of the Turkish army has warned the Sultan that Turkey's military position would be greatly shaken if Russia's demands were granted.

Defends Department Store Tax.

Minister Miquel, in defending the department store tax in the Landtag, expressly disclaimed any intention of strangling department stores, and said he wished to check but not to prevent their growth, hoping that smaller shops might have a breathing spell to save themselves by uniting as cooperative associations or by pooling their interests in other ways.

AMERICAN COAL IN BAVARIA.

State Railway Officials There Making Extensive Tests of the Product.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE BY RICHARD LACHMANN.]

FRANKFORT-ON-THE-MAIN, Feb. 26.—The Bavarian state railways are experimenting with American coals.

GOES OVER GERMAN ROUTE.

Russian Consul at Bagdad Studies Railway Concession from There to Bassora.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE BY E. FITZGER.]

BREMEN, Feb. 26.—The Weser Zeitung's Constantinople telegram states that the Russian Consul at Bagdad made a journey to Bassora to study the German Bagdad railway route.

RUSSIA TO RENT HARBOR.

PLAN FOR PERSIAN GULF LIKE THAT AT PORT ARTHUR.

St. Petersburg Papers Say Cabinet Will Not Be Led Astray by Any British Siren Song About Division — Does Not Want Land, but Only Egress to the Sea—Stephanie's Wedding Meets Many Obstacles — Minister Harris Gives a Dinner.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE BY W. L. HUBBARD.]

VIENNA, Feb. 26.—That Russia will "rent" a harbor from Persia in the same way as it "rented" Port Arthur from China is the latest disclosure made of the St. Petersburg Cabinet's designs. The Wedomosti of St. Petersburg avers that England's error in treating Persia as a vassal state will not be repeated by Russia, who also has no intention of listening to any British siren song about a division of Persia.

This paper says: "Persia is not for us a strange territory offering certain commercial advantages, but is a neighbor who enjoys Russia's sympathy, and whose interests are identical with Russia's.

Needs Only a Harbor.

"Russia needs not an inch of this state, which has already profited so much by Russian friendship; only one thing is expected—that is a harbor on the Persian Gulf, which is now indispensable for Russia's free exit to the ocean.

"If China consented to rent Port Arthur to us we have still less reason to doubt that Persia will, under one condition or another, rent us a harbor, either Bendar Abbas or some other one."

Stephanie's Wedding Put Off.

The marriage of the Crown Prince's widow, Stephanie, to the Count Lonyay, which was announced for early in March, has been postponed. It had been arranged that she should have her annual allowance of 10,000 florins, but she recently has demanded more, and the matter is still undecided.

Furthermore, although she loses by her marriage her right to the title of "imperial Highness," she wishes to retain that of "royal Highness," which as a Belgian Princess belongs to her. Her father, the King of Belgium, however, disapproves of her remarrying and refuses to let her retain the title. The diplomatic wires are being vigorously worked to win his consent, and until it is obtained her marriage will probably not take place.

Mr. Harris Gives Diplomatic Dinner.

Minister and Mrs. Harris gave their first state dinner of this season to the members of the diplomatic corps tonight.

HORSES AGAIN MEET DELAY.

British Shipment from Hungary Returns to Port Owing to Defect in Vessel.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE BY W. L. HUBBARD.]

VIENNA, Feb. 26.—England is having a hard time getting its horses recently bought in Hungary for use in south Africa. First, the empire refused them transport on the ships subsidized by the government, and then British boats had to be brought in to Fiume.

Then the Hungarian hostlers who were to accompany the horses struck, and others had to be secured.

Yesterday the steamer Mount Lebanon sailed from Fiume, but had to return to port, as it was found not to be sufficiently ballasted. The ship rolled so that several horses were injured, and sailing must now be delayed several days.

PUTS SEAL ON MIRACLES.

PAPAL DECREE APPROVING SPECIFIC ACTS READ IN VATICAN.

Preparations for Canonization of La Salle Near Completion—Catholic Orders Will Celebrate Pope Leo's Birthday with Great Ceremony—One Hundred Thousand Pilgrims Expected—Encyclical Letter to Be Published Easter Sunday.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE BY OSCAR DURANTE.]

ROME, Feb. 26.—In the Vatican hall of the throne the Pontiff today read a decree which definitely approves the evidence as to miracles worked by the venerable Giovanna Lestonnac and also by Crescenza Hoessin, and will beatify both shortly.

Preparations for the solemn ceremony of the canonization of Jean Baptiste de La Salle, founder of the Christian Brothers' schools, are well under way, and will occur next May at St. Peter's.

To Celebrate Pope's Birthday.

All the Catholic associations have arranged for great festivities to solemnize the Pope's entering upon his 91st year.

At the Vatican on Sunday they will dine 900 poor persons.

Many Pilgrims Expected.

One hundred thousand pilgrims are expected to arrive late in March. The Trent pilgrimage is expected here on Thursday.

Preparing Easter Encyclical.

Pope Leo is writing an important encyclical, which he will publish about Easter.

Mgr. Keane has been ordered to go to America to collect funds necessary for the increased development of the Catholic University at Washington.

Lucheni Must Stand Trial.

The Anarchist life convict Lucheni, assassin of the Empress of Austria, must undergo trial because of his attempt to kill his jailer with an iron can opener, and may be condemned to five years of solitary confinement underground.

Protest Against Wage Tax.

The Milan workingmen have met to protest against the proposed new bill taxing the wages of journeymen.

Torpedo Boat Test at Spezia.

Official experiments at the Spezia dockyards with the new torpedo destroyer Pelican are giving most satisfactory results.

Mascagni Going to Russia.

Mascagni shortly goes to direct some concerts in Russia.

Behead Valuable Statues.

All the valuable statues adorning the villa of Prince Lancelotti were found beheaded by some unknown vandals.

Quarantine Aden Vessels.

All boats from Aden have been ordered into quarantine because of the bubonic plague.

Railroad Device a Success.

The General Railway Review announces that Father Matteo Allberti has completed his electrical device for preventing railroad accidents.

Fail to Capture Brigand.

Seventy armed carbineers had a long and unsuccessful chase in the hills after the famous brigand, Musolino, who lately is said to have committed a number of crimes in Calabria.

Fix Federation Apportionment.

SYDNEY, N. S. W., Feb. 26.—Based on a total population of 3,546,700, the authorities have decided that the respective colonies are entitled under the federation scheme to the following representation in Parliament: New South Wales, 23; Victoria, 20; Queensland, 8; South Australia, 6; and Tasmania, 5; a total of 62.

COKE SUIT NOW FILED.

COURTS ASKED TO ANNUL CONTRACT OF CARNEGIE'S MAKING.

Minority Stockholders in the Frick Company Declare That the Iron Magnate So Manipulated Things That the Concern Is Now Operated in the Interests of the Steel Company—Loss of $4,000,000 Is Estimated for This Year.

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—Another chapter in the history of the Carnegie Steel company and the H. C. Frick Coke company was told this afternoon when the threatened suit of the minority stockholders of the Frick company to annul the low priced contract between the coke company, in which Andrew Carnegie holds the controlling interest, and the Carnegie Steel company, was filed in the form of a bill of equity. The plaintiffs are John Walker, for himself and as guardian of Andrew Carnegie Wilson; S. L. Schoonmaker, and John Pontefract, and others.

The charge is made that the contract, which runs for five years from Jan. 1, 1899, has already caused a loss to the coke company of more than $500,000, and that during the year 1900, if the contract is enforced, the coke company will suffer a loss of about $4,000,000.

It is declared that Carnegie so manipulated the stock of the coke company that he secured control of the Board of Directors, which then approved the contract in question, which calls for coke at $1.35 per ton. The present market price for coke is about $3 per ton. It is not claimed that $1.35 per ton is below the cost of production, however.

How Stock Is Distributed.

Mr. Schoonmaker, who is the New York representative of the Carnegie Steel company and the Frick Coke company, owns 556 shares of the $10,000,000 capital stock of the coke company. Mr. Walker owns 4,006 shares for himself and 113 shares for Andrew Carnegie Wilson. Mr. Pontefract owns 556 shares.

The bill recites that the Carnegie Steel company owns 59,104 shares and Andrew Carnegie owns 51,213 shares of the coke company. The total number of shares of the coke company is 200,000, the par value per share being $50. Mr. Carnegie, therefore, owns or controls 110,317 shares, or a majority of the stock.

The action is remotely connected with the trouble now existing between H. C. Frick, former chairman of the Carnegie Steel company, Limited, and Andrew Carnegie, and was precipitated by the filing of Mr. Frick's bill in equity to secure an accounting of the affairs of the Carnegie Steel company (Limited).

Purpose of the Suit.

In this case the plaintiffs seek to restrain the defendants by injunction from selling any coke to the Carnegie Steel company, under a contract dated Jan. 1, 1899, at a price of $1.35 a ton; the contract to run for a period of five years, and from settling with the steel company for coke already delivered under the contract. It is also asked that the court annul the contract and order an accounting.

The plaintiffs allege fraud in the obtaining of the contract, and accuse a majority of the Board of Directors of the coke company of working solely for the interest of the Carnegie Steel company (limited), with the purpose of cheating and defrauding all stockholders of the coke company not members of the steel company.

Means Great Loss.

It is claimed that if the contract is carried out the Frick Coke company will have to refund to the steel company $596,000 on account of coke sold to the Carnegie company during the year 1899, and that during the year 1900 it will cause a loss to the coke company of not less than $4,000,000.

Some time in the year 1899, it is said, the steel company and Carnegie set up the pretense that the coke company had contracted to sell to it coke at $1.35 a ton, and after this came to the knowledge of the President of the coke company as submitted it for the consideration of the Board of Directors at their meeting held Oct. 25, 1899, and thereupon the board passed the following:

Resolved, That the President be authorized and instructed to notify the Carnegie Steel company, limited, that the existence of any contract is denied, and that no claim to settle in accordance with the terms of the alleged contract for past, present, or future deliveries of coke to the said Carnegie Steel company, limited, will be recognized or entertained by this company.

Previous to January, 1900, the Board of Directors of the coke company was composed of five members. Upon that date the membership of the board was increased to seven and Thomas Lynch, H. C. Frick, George Lauder, James Gayley, Andrew M. Moreland, D. M. Clemson, and Thomas Morrison elected members. They now compose the Board of Directors of the coke company, Lauder, Gayley, Moreland, Clemson, and Morrison being also members of the Board of Managers of the steel company.

Transfer of Stock.

Prior to Jan. 9, 1900, it stated that neither Gayley, Moreland, Clemson, nor Morrison was an owner of any stock of the coke company and they were interested therein only by virtue of their interests in the steel company. About this date there was transferred out of the shares of the coke company held by the steel company five shares of the coke company's capital stock to the four defendants named. These shares, it is asserted, are still the property of the steel company, and the transfers were made at the dictation of the steel company and Carnegie, for the purpose of qualifying them as directors.

It is asserted that they were so placed to manage the coke company in the interest of the steel company and Carnegie, and not for the interest of the other stockholders of the coke company who were not members of the steel company.

Willis F. McCook of the counsel for the coke company said tonight that while the bill asks for an injunction this point will not be insisted upon until the case goes to final hearing. The coke company will continue furnishing coke to the steel company as at present until the case is decided, when an adjustment will be made.

This will insure the steel company its required supply of coke, and will cause no inconvenience during the litigation.

SAVES BLIND WOMAN FROM FIRE.

J. Nicholson Rescues Mrs. Sarah Rapp from Flames—Golden Novelty Company Factory Burned.

Blind and feeble, Mrs. Sarah Rapp, 80 years old, fought with flames yesterday afternoon in her residence, 639 Osgood street. She was rescued by J. Nicholson, 637 Osgood street, but not before she had been burned seriously.

Mrs. Rapp has been blind for several years, but manages to perform many household duties. She was putting coal in a stove, when her clothing caught fire. She endeavored to extinguish the flames, but could not, and screamed for help. Nicholson heard her. The front door of the house was locked, but he broke it down. He extinguished the flames burning the clothes. It is feared the woman will die. The house caught fire and was damaged $200.

The Golden Novelty Company Building, 248-250 West Jackson boulevard, was destroyed by fire yesterday morning. Many women employes on the fourth and fifth floors had narrow escapes and were compelled to leave the building without their wraps. Fire was started by a man endeavoring to adjust a stovepipe and allowing burning soot to fall on the floor. The loss is $25,000.

Fire in Mrs. Fannie McLean's boardinghouse, 207 Cass street, did $500 damage.

The Italians' Catholic Church at 6712 Hermitage avenue was destroyed by fire last night. The loss is $4,000.

THREE MEN HOLD UP GROCER.

Two Robbers Stand Guard Over Henry Blattner with Revolvers While the Third Hunts Money.

Three men, each with a revolver, walked into Henry Blattner's grocery at 504 West Fourteenth place last night, as he was closing his store. While two stood over him with their revolvers the third looked for money. The robbers found $25. Blattner gave good descriptions of the men to the police.

HARDSHIP FOR MECCA PILGRIMS

All Who Follow Holy Carpet Must Submit to Quarantine Before Returning.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE BY ARTHUR L. CLARKE.]

LONDON, Feb. 27.—A special to the Daily News from Cairo Monday says:

"Prior to the departure of the holy carpet for Mecca on Saturday, Mustappa Fehmy Pacha, representing the Khedive, said that owing to the prevalence of cholera the authorities had issued stringent regulations in regard to pilgrims visiting Hedjaz, and that they must undergo a period of close quarantine before being permitted to reenter the country.

LONDON HAS A NEW HAGGARD.

African Explorer Comes Home with a Weird Story Which Some Newspapers Take Seriously.

LONDON, Feb. 27.—Some of the morning papers present a new Haggard in E. S. Grogan, who has just returned to England after a two years' journey in Africa. Mr. Grogan, who represents himself to be the first European who has traveled through the continent from the cape to Cairo, says that after leaving Lake Tanganyika with eight porters he entered a region of active volcanoes, where he encountered "enormous lava streams, forming a veritable sea, forty miles by sixty, and a hundred feet deep."

This whole region he found devastated, forests and herds of elephants being buried in liquid fire.

The neighboring country, he says, is occupied by some 5,000 Balekas, cannibals from the Congo, who live by man hunting. His guides, he says, told him that the country, covering 3,500 square miles, had been until recently densely populated, but that the people had virtually been killed and eaten by the Balekas.

Everywhere, Grogan says, he found evidences of cannabalistic practices. The paths in the jungle were marked out by lines of human skeletons. The details which Mr. Grogan gives are too revolting for publication.

On one occasion, Grogan says, the savages attacked his party, but he opened upon them with rifle fire. This frightened away the cannibals, as they had never before seen a gun or a white man.

Proceeding along the west coast of Albert Lake, Mr. Grogan says, he found the natives terrorized by raids of the Belgians. He adds:

"From the north of Albert Lake to Lake Mweru the whole country is in a state of chaos. It is administered by incompetent Belgians. Often the non-commissioned officers and troops are of the lowest type of native, and they are almost invariably cannibals."

The Daily News and the Daily Chronicle comment editorially in a serious strain upon the interview.

COUNTESS SINGS "COON" SONGS

Makes Her Debut in Vaudeville in London and Is Given Kind Reception.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE BY ARTHUR L. CLARKE.]

LONDON, Feb. 27.—The Countess Russell made her début in vaudeville at the Tivoli Theater last night, and sang coon songs in a sweet voice. They were well received.

American Dies at Sea.

GIBRALTAR, Feb. 26.—On the arrival here today of the North German Lloyd steamer Trave, from New York, Feb. 17, for Naples and Genoa, it was announced that Judge F. J. Kingsmill, a saloon passenger, had died Feb. 21 of heart disease.

Islington Theater Damaged.

LONDON, Feb. 26.—The Grand Theater, Islington, where Sir Henry Irving and other stars have been in the habit of beginning provincial tours, was damaged by fire this morning. Arson is suspected. The theatrical wardrobes and properties were lost.

HERMAN SCHMEDTGEN MAY DIE.

Fails to Rally from Shock of Accident and Friends Despair of His Recovery.

Herman Schmedtgen of Rogers Park, one of the oldest of Chicago settlers, is lying at the point of death in Alexian Brothers' Hospital. Five weeks ago he was thrown from a wagon and bruised severely. He has not rallied from the shock, and a complication of diseases has made friends despair of his recovery. Mr. Schmedtgen is 66 years old, and has been a resident of Chicago for nearly fifty years. One of his children is William Schmedtgen, the artist.

Governor Tanner Feels Better.

Springfield, Ill., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—Governor Tanner today was able to sit up for several hours. He said he felt better than at any time for several weeks.

AGED WOMAN IS MURDERED.

Mrs. Evrill E. Synon Found Dead and Her Husband Arrested—Money Believed to Give Motive.

Mrs. Evrill E. Synon was found dead in her home, 240 South Green street, last evening. Her skull had been crushed by heavy blows from some blunt instrument, and there were several gashes on her neck.

Michael J. Synon, husband of the woman, is under arrest at the Desplaines Street Police Station, and it is believed by Captain Revere and Lieutenant O'Connor that he is responsible for the death of the woman. The need of money, which he wished to use for gambling, and which he knew his wife had in her clothing, is thought by the officers to have been the motive for the murder.

The 12-year-old son of the couple, whose name is also Michael, is under arrest, but he is being held only as a witness, and has not been charged with any complicity in the murder. It was on his evidence that the husband was taken into custody, and a later investigation has brought to light facts which the police declare are strong enough to convict Synon.

Synon is a calciminer, but it is declared that he spends most of his time playing policy and in buying lottery tickets. His neighbors declare that all of his money went in this way, and that his wife was compelled to take in sewing in order to keep the family alive. She was frugal, and had succeeded in saving some money. This she carried in a belt around her waist. Her husband knew of the possession of the money, and it is believed that he asked her for a part of it, and, when she refused, that he struck her with a hatchet or a hammer. When a search of Synon was made the belt and money, consisting of a $20 gold piece, a dime, and 55 pennies, were found in his pockets.

When asked to explain how he had secured the money Synon is said to have replied that it was found on a bureau, and that he put it in his pocket for safe keeping. It is believed that the murder was committed about noon. It was five hours later when the crime was heard of by the police. If the theory of the police is correct, the murder was deliberate and cold blooded, and the plans for the disposition of the body were carefully made. It is thought their execution was prevented by the arrival of the son, who had come home from school.

When taken to the police station Synon was surly and refused to talk of the case further than to say that his wife was murdered by robbers. He told Lieutenant O'Connor that he had been away from home all day and that at 4:30 o'clock he was at Van Buren and Halsted streets. Mrs. Synon was 39 years old and her husband is 56. They have a son who is confined in the reform school at Pontiac, and Synon, it is said, has a police record. When arrested Synon's clothing was covered with blood, but no weapon was found in the house that showed definitely that it had been used to kill the woman. A hammer was found that appeared as if it had been recently washed, and this is in the possession of the police.

WILL FOUND A MORMON CITY.

Buffalo Bill Says 30,000 Will Leave Salt Lake and Settle on His Land in Wyoming.

Colonel William F. Cody, "Buffalo Bill," who is at the Auditorium Annex on his way to Washington, said yesterday that within a few days he would complete a plan for the removal of 30,000 Mormons from Salt Lake City to a tract of land in northwestern Wyoming known as the Big Horn Basin. He expects finally to found a Mormon city in Wyoming that will rival Salt Lake City.

"My interest in the Mormons is purely of a commercial nature. I have control of 250,000 acres of land in the Big Horn Basin which will be cultivated for agricultural purposes. Many of the Mormons are getting tired of life in Salt Lake City. They don't enjoy the liberty they formerly did. I have secured contracts for the deportation of 30,000 Mormons."

Colonel Cody said he would not go to Paris this summer.

ROBS GREAT NORTHERN GUESTS

Unknown Thief Takes $1,200 Worth of Jewelry from Rose Murray, the Bowler, and Her Father.

Miss Rose Murray, who is regarded as the champion woman bowler of the country, and her father, S. B. Murray, reported the loss of $1,200 worth of jewelry from their rooms at the Great Northern Hotel. Miss Murray had come for the bowling tournament, accompanied by her father, who is a wealthy patent medicine manufacturer of Toledo, O.

Some time after Mr. Murray retired on Sunday night he missed his watch. Then he looked for an envelope containing his daughter's diamonds, and that also was missing.

Mr. Murray had left the door of his room unlocked and attached no blame to the hotel employés. He declined even to put the matter in the hands of the police, and left with his daughter without waiting for the bowling contest.

As the thief left sealskins and other articles of value the police think he was not a professional.

Death of Mrs. W. G. Coldwey.

Mrs. W. G. Coldwey, 28 years old, died at the Chicago Beach Hotel last evening after an illness of a few days. Dr. Ira D. Isham stated that death had been caused by lung trouble. Mrs. Coldwey lived in Louisville, Ky., and had been at the Chicago Beach Hotel since Feb. 20. She was a cousin of Dr. Weller Van Hook, 4043 Grand boulevard. Mrs. Coldwey's husband was notified of the death last night. He sent word that he would be in Chicago today to take charge of the body.

DENY LAKE FRONT CERTIORARI

United States Rules on a Minor Issue in the Case of the State vs. the Illinois Central Railroad.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—In the Chicago lake front case the Supreme Court today declined to grant a writ of certiorari directing the Circuit Court of Appeals to certify the case to the Supreme Court for its review and determination. This action is inconsequential as far as a final decision in the case is concerned. Hearing will be had on appeal. The petition was made by the State of Illinois as against the Illinois Central railroad and the City of Chicago, the city being a passive respondent.

The property in controversy in this lake front case is the entire shore frontage of Lake Michigan east of elevator B, between the south line of the Chicago River and its mouth and Randolph street; also the frontage between Park row and Sixteenth street, east of the Illinois Central tracks. The land aggregates fifty-three acres, of which nine are submerged, and is worth from $9,000,000 to $10,000,000.

John H. Hamline, attorney for the State in this case, said last night: "I made the petition for a writ of certiorari simply as a matter of precaution to cinch the appeal made by us to the Supreme Court. The action of that tribunal in denying the writ is not a decision against us. Our appeal is docketed and will be heard in time."

B. F. Ayer, attorney for the Illinois Central, said: "The decision of the United States Circuit Court in this case was in our favor. In the Circuit Court of Appeals we also won. Next the State appealed to the United States Supreme Court and also put in a petition for a certiorari. The petition in certiorari is denied."

AGREE ON SUNDAY CLOSING.

Druggists in the Twenty-sixth Ward Adopt a Plan for Handling Sunday Trade.

All of the thirty-two druggists of the Twenty-sixth Ward, which includes Ravenswood, entered into an agreement yesterday by which they will be governed in the matter of closing their stores on Sundays. They held a meeting in the evening and adopted a resolution by which only ten of the stores will be kept open after 6 o'clock each Sunday evening, this number to be selected according to the geographical location and for the convenience of the public. By the new arrangement, which goes into effect next Sunday, each druggist will be obliged to keep his store open every third Sunday.

TANNER'S DAY IN STATE.

GOVERNOR'S MEN DOMINATE TWO OF FOUR CONVENTIONS.

No Instructions Given in Either Crawford, Boone, Clay, or Schuyler Counties for Governor — Statehouse Party's Policy Followed—Declared That Hanecy Must Get a Solid Delegation from Cook or Be Dropped as a Candidate.

Republican conventions were held in four counties in Illinois yesterday. They were Crawford, Boone, Clay, and Schuyler. No instructions were given as to the Governorship contest in any of the four. Two of these conventions, those in Crawford and Clay Counties, were entirely dominated by the friends of, Governor Tanner, and everything the Governor wanted done was done. Neither indorsed the candidacy of Judge Hanecy, however, and in Crawford County it was given out that no more indorsements of his candidacy would be allowed in any of the Tanner counties.

Clay County is Governor Tanner's home, and his friends controlled the convention. There were no instructions for Governor, but the Tanner administration was indorsed and Senator Cullom's name not mentioned.

The Boone County convention also praised the Tanner administration and ignored Senator Cullom. It also failed to give any instructions as to the Governor, and voted down a motion that the delegation should vote as a unit at Peoria. It indorsed Homer Aspinwall for State Treasurer.

Schuyler County was counted on to instruct for Yates, but failed to do so. It sent an uninstructed delegation.

In the Alexander County primaries Dan Hogan and his friends carried all the Cairo precincts for Judge Hanecy, and he will have a majority of the convention today.

In the Rock Island County primaries the contest was almost entirely over the Congressional nomination, and Congressman Prince lost the county.

Tanner Wins in Crawford.

Robinson, Ill., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—Crawford County sends to the Republican State convention A. H. Jones, Dr. H. K. Zeigler, J. C. Eagleton, A. M. Brown, and J. A. McMatton. They are uninstructed, but they will vote according to the wishes of Mr. Jones and Governor John R. Tanner. Mr. Jones holds by appointment of the Governor the office of Pure Food Commissioner. The men composing the delegation are his warm personal and political friends. They will act together in harmony, with a view of being with the winner. These five votes will be claimed by Judge Hanecy's friends and it will be said they are for the Judge first, last, and all the time.

Their exact condition in plain English is simply this: Like many another delegation, it will support Hanecy if he comes to the State convention with 400 votes from Cook County. They must be assured of this fact or they will not perform. It will not avail Judge Hanecy to appear in Peoria with 800 or even 350 delegates. He must have the goods. 400 from Cook, every man in his place. Then Crawford and other counties will come to him.

Call Halt on Instructions.

A few of the Tanner counties had instructed for Hanecy, but suddenly a halt was called in this method of procedure. The command "no more instructions if possible" has gone out from the Statehouse.

The resolutions passed by the convention do not grow enthusiastic over Senator Cullom. They indorse his course and the support he has given the President while in the Senate and let it go at that.

Legislative Fight Is Close.

They say nothing about instructing the delegates to the national convention to vote for a Cullom man like the Clark County convention did the other day. Tanner is giving Senator Cullom a fight fight in this legislative district, which is composed of Lawrence, Richland, Crawford, and Jasper Counties. Tanner has Crawford and all the delegates but one from Richland. He needs another county. His indorsers do not want the Senatorial convention to come off until after the State ticket shall have been nominated. The convention in Lawrence comes off next month, and Tanner's friends are fearful lest the Cullomites concentrate their strength in that county.

The leading legislative candidate in Lawrence is Judge Barnes. Marshal Hitch says Barnes is a Cullom man through and through and the Tanner men say he is theirs and always has been. The Judge must declare himself.

Ignore Cullom in Boone.

Belvidere, Ill., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—In their convention today the Republicans of Boone County indorsed Governor Tanner's administration, but were silent as regards Senator Cullom. Carrying out what was said to be the general sentiment, they totally ignored the Tanner-Cullom controversy and the Senatorial question.

The eight delegates to the State convention will go uninstructed, so far as candidates for Governor are concerned. But they were instructed to support Homer Aspinwall for the nomination for State Treasurer, and also to do all they can towards securing the renomination of A. W. Northcott for Lieutenant Governor, James A. Rose for Secretary of State, and James McCullough for Auditor.

The delegates to the Congressional convention were instructed to work and vote for the renomination of Congressman Robert R. Hitt, and of Charles A. Works for members of the State Board of Equalization. The delegates to the Eighth Senatorial District convention were instructed to vote for the nomination of D. A. Fuller of this city for the office of State Senator.

Says Delegates Favor Hanecy.

Judge Fuller is authority, however, for the statement that it is a Hanecy delegation. Mr. Moran's reply to inquiries was: "We are going to be with the winner." It was said that Fuller, Whitman, Moran, and Loun have expressed themselves as favorable to Judge Hanecy's candidacy. The other four are from country towns, where the sentiment is strong for Judge Carter and where Walter Reeves has many friends. However, at the Bonus Township primary a motion to instruct the delegates to the county convention for Reeves was voted down.

Vote Down Unit Rule.

In the convention a resolution directing the State delegation to vote as a unit on all questions was also defeated, but by only one majority. This was regarded as against the interests of Judge Hanecy and a notice that he cannot claim the support of the entire delegation. He has the strongest kind of opposition among the dairymen, and they are numerous in Boone County.

Ignore Senatorial Fight.

The Senatorial matter was purposely ignored. One of the leaders said that the Ninth Congressional District, of which Boone County is a part, would like to see Congressman Hitt in the Senate. In the event that Senator Cullom cannot be reelected, he thought that the Republicans of Boone, Carroll, Jo Daviess, Lee, Ogle, Stephenson, and Winnebago Counties will make Mr. Hitt their candidate.

No Instructions in Clay.

Louisville, Ill., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—The Republican convention in Clay County assembled in this city today and selected delegates to the State, Congressional, and Senatorial conventions. Colonel R. Smith of Flora presided, and F. F. Shannon of Clay City was chosen secretary.

Strong resolutions indorsing the McKinley and Tanner administrations, and a resolution condemning bolting Republicans, were adopted. Senator Cullom's name was not mentioned in the convention.

Yates Fails to Get Schuyler.

Rushville, Ill., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—The Republicans of Schuyler County held their convention in this city today. O. F. Berry of Carthage, candidate for Attorney General; Judge Yates of Jacksonville, for Governor; and M. O. Williamson of Galesburg, for State Treasurer, addressed the convention.

An effort was made to instruct delegates to the State convention to support Judge Yates for Governor, but many delegates protested and the motion was withdrawn. The delegation goes uninstructed. The differences between Governor Tanner and Senator Cullom were ignored, the resolutions giving each praise for his party services.

Searle Wins in Primaries.

Rock Island, Ill., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—Returns from the primaries so far received indicate that tomorrow's county convention will by a practically unanimous vote indorse State's Attorney C. J. Searle for Congress. This result will be attained after one of the liveliest political skirmishes in the county's history in which Mr. Searle, Congressman George W. Prince, and George W. McCaskrin, whose influence was eventually thrown to Prince, participated. Searle has all the delegates of Rock Island and Moline except three and all the country districts except a scattering few.

The disposition of tomorrow's convention will be to ignore the Governorship entirely, although the fact that three of the candidates were here last week and Judge Yates will be on the ground on his second visit may force an expression. The present outlook is Congressman Reeves will have the preference.

Jo Daviess Convention Today.

Elizabeth, Ill., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—The Jo Daviess County Republican convention will be held here tomorrow. This is the home of John C. McKenzie, who is a candidate for State Senator. Dr. A. F. Buckman of Warren, a candidate for the same office, is here. The chairman of the County Central committee, J. A. Adams, of Scales Mound, arrived this evening, and is much in evidence. The main contest will be on who this county will present as a candidate at the Senatorial convention which meets at Freeport March 6. Indications point to a harmonious convention, with no instructions for State officers. R. R. Hitt will be indorsed for renomination for Congress.

Cairo Delegates for Hanecy.

Cairo, Ill., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—Primary elections were held in Cairo and throughout Alexander County this afternoon to select delegates to the county convention to be held tomorrow. County precincts have not been heard from, but all of the seven precincts in the city instructed their delegates for Judge Hanecy of Chicago for Governor and James A. Rose for Secretary of State.

Other instructions were for Clokey for State Treasurer in the First and Third Wards. Well-informed leaders agree that Alexander County will be practically unanimous for Hanecy and Rose.

Democrats at Marshall.

Marshall, Ill., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—The Democrats of Clark County met in convention today. J. W. Graham was chosen as chairman. The resolutions reaffirmed allegiance and declared the Chicago platform, proclaimed that all previous expansion had been fathered by Democrats, but that the present brand is naught but imperialism, expressed sympathy for the Boers, and indorsed Carter Harrison of Chicago for Governor.

State Press Political Comment.

Senator Cullom voted against taking up the Quay case. The Sangamon primaries have set Uncle Shelby to thinking.—Rockford Star.

The Quay case, being up in the Senate again, good Mr. Cullom will have opportunity to indicate the quality of his political morals.—Rockford Republic.

Contesting delegations for Tanner from many counties of the State may let the Governor down easy. But they will not change the result at Peoria.—Springfield News.

Senator Cullom voted "No" on the proposition to take up the Quay report. Now let him vote "No" when the ballot on the question of seating Quay is reached, and be consistent. Thus will be preserved the integrity of his previous good record. —Galesburg Republican-Register.

SOCIAL SIDE OF CONVENTION.

Philadelphia Allied Republican Clubs Prepare Program for Entertainment of Visiting Delegates.

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 26.—The arrangements for the social side of the Republican National convention are rapidly assuming shape. The Allied Republican Clubs' Executive committee, which represents every Republican club in the city, has this part of the convention arrangements in charge, and is now actively engaged in perfecting the details. The program for the week has practically been decided upon as follows:

Monday, June 18—Special committees representing the Allied Clubs will meet all trains and receive the visiting delegates and alternates and political organizations arriving in a body and escort them to their headquarters.

8 p. m.—Grand torchlight parade of political organizations, all visiting organizations being given the right of line.

June 19—Opening of the convention.

8 p. m.—Reception at the Academy of Music. Speeches by prominent National committeemen, delegates, and others.

June 20—Second day of the convention.

8 p. m.—Smoker in the Academy of Music to the visiting clubmen, and entertainments at the various local clubhouses.

June 21—Third day of convention.

8 p. m.—Entertainments at the local clubhouses.

The work of collecting the $100,000 to be given to the National committee is progressing satisfactorily. The second installment of $25,000 will be forwarded to the committee in a few days.

GETTING READY IN KANSAS CITY.

Committee Making Preparations for Management of the Democratic National Convention.

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 26.—Systematic preparations for handling the Democratic National convention in July are already being mapped out. A meeting of the Ways and Means committee has been called for Wednesday.

The plan of organization followed by St. Louis and Minneapolis in handling their conventions will, it is said by those of the committee already here, be adopted by Kansas City, with such improvements and changes as may seem desirable.

Local hotel men are considerably exercised at stories printed in the East to the effect that hotel rates during the convention would be raised exorbitantly. A paper this evening prints interviews with the managers of the leading hostelries, in which they declare the rates will be no higher than at any other time. The only difference, they say, will be that during the convention the rooms will have to be filled as full as convenient instead of turning rooms over to a single person.

GAS EXPLOSION IN CONDUIT.

A. Reed, 6120 Drexel Avenue, Is Hurt and Many Buildings Are Damaged.

An explosion of gas in a telephone conduit shortly after 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon at Wabash avenue and Twenty-second street blew the 600-pound iron cover of a manhole over a building fifty feet high, injured one man, broke the window panes in nearly all the buildings in the neighborhood, tore down telephone and electric light wires, and for a short time caused a small panic among the tenants in the adjacent buildings.

The accident happened at an hour when, as a rule, there are many people on the corner waiting for cars. Yesterday A. Reed of 6120 Drexel avenue was the only one standing near when the explosion occurred. Mr. Reed was thrown violently to the ground, receiving a severe cut in the face and a scalp wound. Officer Day assisted him into a drug store, where his wounds were dressed, and he was sent home.

JUDGE ORRIN N. CARTER'S PLATFORM.

[From his speech announcing his candidacy, Jan. 24, 1900.]

Every member of a party, whatever position he may occupy in that party, has a perfect right at any time to state whom he favors at a primary, and he has the further undoubted right to use all fair means to persuade other members of his party to accept his views.

But that person should give—must give—to every other man the same freedom of choice.

A state of public sentiment which, under this present law, will permit a few people in any party to say months before the primary is held, before even the delegates are elected, what candidate or candidates will be named, is unrepublican and dangerous.

On all public questions every American who is worthy of the name carries his sovereignty under his own hat.

It makes little difference to the welfare of the State whether I am nominated for Governor, but it is of vital importance that every member of the Republican party who desires shall have a voice in selecting a candidate, whoever he may be.

This city should be so stirred that every Republican within its limits will feel that it is his duty to go to the primaries on May 3.

If Republicans are true to the traditions of their party its past history will be but a prophecy of its future.

CARTER MEETING IN LAKE VIEW.

Republicans Will Assemble in Belmont Hall This Evening to Adopt Resolutions.

Republicans, who in general prefer primaries to love-feast methods in nominations, will meet tonight at Belmont Hall, Belmont avenue and North Clark street, to indorse the candidacy of Judge Orrin N. Carter for the Governorship. Francis M. Lowes will call the meeting to order, defining its object as not only to indorse Judge Carter, but to protest against the recent Springfield methods.

Chairman Lowes will make a speech, and others to be heard from are:

Robert McMurdy, E. J. Bennett, William J. Candlish, DeWitt C. Jones, R. R. Lonsbury, Rev. J. K. Shields, Louis M. Head.

In addition to the speakers, a number of well-known Republicans will lend the effect of their presence to the meeting. These, acting as Vice Presidents of the meeting, are:

Thomas G. Milsted, Dr. Ira B. Chrisman, Josiah B. Albertson, H. Charles Barnes, A. J. Bennett, Andrew Crawford, Rev. J. K. Shields, W. Zander, James H. Hirsch, W. A. Lloyd, Howard Wagg, C. C. Merriman, A. W. Strong, Frederick Gardner, Dr. L. L. Leach, Dr. S. W. Lehman, Emil Zimmer, Jacob M. Becker, E. A. Anderson, C. Olson, F. C. Hull, W. E. Winzart, F. H. Patten, Frederick Bentil, Dr. W. S. Wallace, Charles Anderson, Charles D. Stillwell, Charles S. Treadwell, Alfred L. Marx, W. H. Mulholland, Arthur Leaske, W. M. Talcott, Horace L. Wing, J. C. Morle, W. Hecht, Emanuel Kopriwa, Jules Bester, Percival Steel, Harry Leary, David Wylie, H. W. Chandler, C. C. Todd, C. Murphy, Ashley C. Manning, R. C. Crawford, Austin J. Lynch, George H. Miller, W. H. Gross, Frederick Miller, A. T. Packard, Louis Kline, George Raymond, A. M. Mothershead, T. H. Purple.

Judge Carter has had to change his program for the week so as to make a trip to southern Illinois. It was not his intention to visit that section of the State until latter, but the requests that he come there at once are so numerous that he feels obliged to yield to them. He will go to Decatur on Thursday, be in East St. Louis on Friday, and Nashville and Mount Vernon on Saturday, returning home on Sunday.

Altgeld Ready to Fight.

The Altgeld and anti-Altgeld fight has come to the surface again to worry the local Democrats. Last Saturday it was given out with considerable emphasis that the ex-Governor did not desire to go as a delegate to the national convention, and the City Hall faction thought it had that trouble off its hands. Yesterday, however, it appeared that this determination of Mr. Altgeld had certain qualifications attached to it, and it now looks as if there would be a lively primary fight in the Seventh Congressional District, in which the ex-Governor lives.

Mr. Altgeld's position as modified was that he would not be a candidate for a seat in the national convention "if as long as it appeared that the Harrison Democrats are loyal to Bryan and the Chicago platform," but, should any suspicion be aroused in his mind that they are not "loyal," then he would deem it his duty to enter the contest.

As the ex-Governor is known to be an extremely suspicious individual so far as the actions and motives of the City Hall Democrats are concerned this revised statement was not reassuring. At the same time news came to the City Hall that all of Mr. Altgeld's friends in the Twenty-fifth and Twenty-sixth Wards are talking about the necessity of his being sent to the convention, and as the City Hall people are determined that under no circumstances shall he go they at once started getting ready for the contest which they believe is coming.

So far as Mr. Altgeld's chances are concerned there is no district in the county which offers the opportunities for a successful contest against the City Hall that the Seventh does. Mr. Altgeld is strong in the Twenty-sixth Ward, where there already is a lively contest going on, involving the renomination of Alderman Schlake. There always is a chance for trouble in the Twenty-fifth, in which Mr. Altgeld lives. In the Fourteenth, Fifteenth, and Sixteenth Wards there already are strong factional fights, the result of which is in doubt. Altogether the district is regarded as debatable ground.

Notices to Lodging-House Keepers.

The Board of Election Commissioners sent out notices to all registered lodging-house keepers during the day calling their attention to the new law which requires them to file with the board previous to registration a list of all lodgers in their houses, and with the notices were blanks for the keepers to fill up. These blanks must be returned on March 5 or 6, or a week before registration day, which is March 13. The purpose of this law is to prevent illegal registration and colonization, and heavy penalties are provided for keepers of lodging-houses who make false returns.

The Board of Election Commissioners will send out notice of the fact that the only day for registration this spring will be Tuesday, March 13, and attention will be called to the fact that it is not only necessary that a citizen be registered in order to vote at the election but if his name is not on the registry books he cannot vote at the coming primaries for the choice of delegates to the State and other conventions. There will be other days of registration for the fall election.

Feast to Republican Nominees.

The Hamilton club will give a dinner in honor of the Republican nominees for Aldermen on Friday evening at 6 o'clock. A majority of the nominees are members of the club, and the club will take this means of launching the spring campaign.

N. E. Dever is being urged by the Municipal Voters' league as the Republican candidate for Alderman in the Seventeenth Ward.

The Italian Republican club of the Nineteenth Ward has entered a protest against giving Alderman Powers a clear field for reelection, and asked S. D. Peacock to make the race against him.

It is announced that A. G. Wiese will be the Republican candidate for Alderman in the Seventh Ward. He will be indorsed by the Municipal Voters' league.

At a meeting of the Republicans of the Seventh Precinct Primary District of the Thirteenth Ward, held at 771 West Lake street in the evening, resolutions were adopted indorsing Captain W. G. Morris as Republican candidate for Alderman. The following officers were elected:

President—Basil Ziers.
Vice Presidents—Arthur Moore, Frank L. Fry, and F. R. Ingraham.
Secretary—Sutcliff Weston.
Treasurer—F. P. Chamberlain.

Judge Carter at Danville.

Danville, Ill., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—Judge Orin L. Carter arrived in this city this evening to meet the Republican voters. He was entertained at dinner at the residence of Judge M. W. Thompson, where he met a number of the party leaders. At 7:30 an informal reception was held at the courthouse, where he delivered an address. He returned to Chicago tonight.

PASSENGERS LEAVE WRECK.

Hope of Saving the Allan Line Steamer Californian Is Almost Abandoned.

Portland, Me., Feb. 26.—The Allan line steamer Californian, which went on the rocks off Ram Island Ledge on Sunday morning, today had twenty-five feet of water in its hold, and hope of saving the vessel is almost abandoned. The passengers were safely removed by the steamer Forest Queen today.

KENTUCKY DEMOCRATS SWORN.

Minor State Officials Take Oath and Make Demand for Places, but Are Refused.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 26.—The State Contest board this afternoon awarded certificates of election to all of the Democratic contestants for minor State offices. Immediately afterward the contestants were sworn in and went to the Statehouse, where they made a formal demand on the Republican incumbents for possession of the offices, but the demands were not acceded to.

The Democratic contestants sworn in are Secretary of State C. B. Hill of Clark County, Attorney General Robert J. Breckinridge of Boyle County, Auditor Gus G. Coulter of Graves County, Treasurer Wilbur Hager of Boyd County, Superintendent of Public Instruction H. V. McChesney of Livingston County.

Clerk of the Court of Appeals Shackelford administered the oath of office to all the contestants for offices other than Governor and Lieutenant Governor.

The principal grounds set out in the report for the finding in favor of the Democratic contestants are:

Because of military interference in Louisville on account of which the election there should be thrown out entirely.

The alleged illegal action of Judge Toney in granting an injunction allowing Brown inspectors inside the polls.

That Judge Evans of the federal court contributed to the result by a threatening charge to the United States grand jury; it being asserted that the charge was part of a conspiracy.

On these points the commissioners write a lengthy argument sustaining their action.

Immediately after the swearing in of the Democratic officials injunction suits were filed by each of the new officials seeking to oust the present incumbents from office and enjoining them from exercising the rights, duties, and prerogatives now appertaining thereto.

The installation of the Democratic officials will have the effect of tying up every branch of the State government pending a decision of all of the contests by the courts. From now till then the State will be practically without a State government.

Auditor Coulter tonight sent out notices to all County Clerks, Circuit Clerks, Sheriffs, and trustees' jury fund that he had been elected and qualified as Auditor and now, acting as such, warned them to pay over no public moneys to any other than himself upon penalty of prosecution on their official bonds.

MARCHING CLUB IS WELCOMED.

Cook County Democrats Entertained by Brethren in New Orleans—Powers Makes a Speech.

New Orleans, La., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—The Cook County Marching club, which arrived here at midnight, after a few hours' rest was up and around the city, guided by fellow-Democrats of the Choctaw club. The club was here three years ago and left such a pleasant impression their hosts are sparing no effort to give them an enjoyable time. The members have been quartered in the Grunewald Hotel. This morning they marched in a body to the Choctaw club, and after a short speech by former Mayor Fitzpatrick, E. B. Kruttschnitt, President of the State Central committee and President of the late constitutional convention, delivered an address of welcome. President Powers of the Marching club responded, saying in part:

"The Democrats of Chicago and of the State of Illinois have traveled not solely for the purpose of witnessing the world-famous carnival festivities of New Orleans but likewise to bring the greetings of their fellow-Democrats to their illustrious brothers of the State of Louisiana. The trips made by this organization to the principal cities of the United States every year always combine a little politics with pleasure, and so it is in this instance. But the Cook County Democracy demands that their visit shall be returned by the Choctaw club. At any rate, I hope the Cook County Marching club will have the pleasure of meeting the Choctaw club of Louisiana in Washington on March 4, 1901, to participate in the inaugural ceremonies of President William Jennings Bryan."

The visitors saw the arrival of the king of the carnival this afternoon and viewed the Proteus parade tonight from the club gallery, and later were taken in tow by their friends. Tomorrow they will be given a trolley ride.

Rex, King of the Carnival, made his entry into the city today. He landed from his royal yacht after a triumphal journey up the river. The military and the Dukes of the Realm received his Majesty and a pageant followed through the business district. At the city hall the King received the keys of the municipality.

Minister Wu of China came in today. A large number of citizens awaited his coming, including a delegation of twelve leading Chinamen of this city.

ALTGELD SPEAKS AT DETROIT.

Former Governor of Illinois Denounces the Gold Standard, Trusts, and Imperialism Before Mohawk Club.

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 26.—"The State of Our Country" and the tendency of the times were discussed tonight by John P. Altgeld, ex-Governor of Illinois, at a mass-meeting held under the auspices of the Mohawk club.

Mr. Altgeld drew a word picture of economic conditions prevailing at the close of the civil war, saying that the country then was on a paper basis. Business adjusted itself to that high level. Farm and other property was sold on that basis. Debts were created on that basis. We had an activity and a prosperity that now seem dreamlike. Then, he said, the New York financiers, who were under European influence, began to control the government. Paper money was canceled, and interest-bearing bonds were issued instead. In a few years the volume of money was reduced more than one-half. With this contraction came a corresponding fall of prices. A bushel of wheat sold for $1 and $1.25, and other farm products in proportion. This ruined the debtors and destroyed the purchasing power of the producers.

Mr. Altgeld admitted that since 1896 the increased production of gold, the shortage of food crops abroad, and the war have temporarily lifted farm products above the average level of prosperity, and that the balance of trade was now in favor of the United States, and that our exports amounted to $1,300,000,000 a year at gold standard prices. He claimed at bimetallic prices the figures would have been doubled.

Mr. Altgeld also denounced the trusts and imperialism.

FUNERAL OF MRS. SNELL TODAY

University of Chicago Will Be Represented at the Services—Students Will Be Pallbearers.

President Harper and Dr. T. W. Goodspeed will represent the University of Chicago at the funeral of Mrs. Henrietta Snell today and will participate in the services. The pallbearers will be Henry Gale, head of Snell Hall; Dr. Joseph E. Raycroft, former head of the hall; and the following students residing in the dormitory:

John Webb, Charles Webb, Francis D. Campeau, W. A. Gordon, Ernest Kohlsaat, H. E. Bulkley.

Snell Hall was given to the university by Mrs. Snell as a memorial to her husband, Amos J. Snell.

REPLY BY MR. RANDOLPH.

ENGINEER OF DRAINAGE CANAL ANSWERS COOLEY'S CRITICISMS.

Says Chicago Can Have Both Pure Water and Navigation—River Must Be Widened in Many Places According to Government Plans and Commercial Interests Must Help Themselves—Old Methods Must Be Abandoned by the Tug Men.

Chief Engineer Isham Randolph yesterday issued a reply to the criticisms and statements, made by Lyman E. Cooley, that the current in the South Branch caused by the opening of the Drainage Canal would seriously endanger, if not ruin, navigation. The reply was submitted to Trustees Carter, Eckhart, and Mallette, and received their indorsement. In it Engineer Randolph says:

It is apparent to all observers that new conditions have been created as a result of these years of labor and millions of expenditure; conditions which do not come as a surprise to the projectors nor the executors of the great work. The main channel has been built upon a scale which affords a capacity equal to the most generous interpretation of the requirements of the Sanitary District law. At present this channel has to be supplied with water through the Chicago River, and it is with the effects upon said river and its interests that we now have to do. Prior to the opening of the channel statements were made by the engineers of the Sanitary District showing what the current in the river would be under the new conditions after the work carried on by the Sanitary District and the United States government should have been completed.

Greatest Possible Flow Demanded.

It is urged by a prominent engineer, once the chief of this district, that relief could never be had through the Chicago River, and that the true solution is to be found only in cutting a wide channel through to the lake somewhere in the vicinity of Twenty-third street. From an engineering standpoint this solution is ideal, and were all power and exhaustless means vested in the Trustees of the Sanitary District it would be entirely proper to consider it seriously, but if relief is to be had it must be in the lifetime of the present generation. By the time all opposition to this plan could be fought to the court of last resort this generation would have ceased to be interested in Chicago's water supply and the next would have grown gray. Health demands that the greatest possible flow should be sent through the sanitary canal; navigation demands that this shall be done without injury to its successful service of its patrons.

New Conditions in the River.

The time has not come when Chicago must choose between pure water and navigation, she can have both. There is work to be done in the Chicago River to help navigation, widening in many places now provided for by United States government plans, and in others not yet covered by those plans, will go far toward removing troubles which now exist; on the other hand, navigation interests must help themselves, old, still-water methods will no longer apply; tug and vessel men must wake up to the new conditions and use their resourceful minds to do successfully in the Chicago River what is done in other streams whose currents reach five or six miles an hour.

It must not be forgotten that navigation in the Chicago River has been at a disadvantage ever since the large freighters appeared upon the lakes. The bridge center piers have always been an obstruction to navigation and will continue to be until removed. Unscrupulous encroachments upon the stream by corporations or private owners had been going on for long years, until there were many congested sections of the channel. Vesselmen, owners of elevators and dock property are vitally interested in availing themselves of the benefits which can be derived from these improvements and all Chicago is interested in the success of this great canal. Under such conditions there can be no such word as fail. Every interest must and will be cared for and mutual help must be the watchword instead of mutual recrimination.

Ice Gorge at Joliet.

When the flow of the canal was shut off on account of the accident to the Amazonas last week considerable ice formed in the channel above Joliet. Yesterday another gorge formed which backed the water up over the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern railroad tracks at the Phenix horseshoe works to a depth of fourteen inches. The flow at the controlling works was cut down to 110,000 cubic feet, and the water fell ten inches. This was noticeable in the Chicago River last evening.

The big steel steamer Selwyn Eddy has been loading in the slip at Sixteenth street from Armour's "E" elevator. It will be towed out this morning, but on account of the reduction in the current it is not thought any trouble will be experienced. The Eddy is the largest boat that has been handled since the current first started, and some doubts were expressed as to the ability of tugs to control it when leaving the slip.

A great accumulation of ice has formed at the Sixty-eighth street crib and stopped up the north intake. The ice is forty feet deep, and the cakes have been tightly packed by the wind and sea. There is no curtailment of supply at the pumping station, as the other intakes are adequate. Crib Engineer Paul Brown thinks there is no danger to the crib to be feared. At the old two-mile crib the ice has formed inside of the breakwater, and men are busy removing it with tackles. A tug has been kept at work breaking the ice with the current from its wheel. With the advent of warmer weather, it is believed all danger of stoppage will be averted.

JOIN IN MACHINISTS' STRIKE.

One Hundred Sheet Metal Workers in Two Factories Quit to Aid Other Union Men.

One hundred members of the United Sheet Metal Workers' union became involved in the machinists' strike yesterday, sympathetic strikes being called in Fraser & Chalmers' and the Siemens & Halske company's shops.

The sympathetic strike will be followed, the leaders say, by sympathetic strikes of all trades in the building material industry.

Members of the building material unions say they see trouble ahead. John F. Lee, Secretary of the Woodworkers' District Council, declared he believed serious trouble would occur before the end of the week, and other officers of the unions said the same.

President Charles Hank of the National Brickmakers' Alliance, in explaining the report given out by Secretary Deutsch of the Building Material Trades Council on Sunday, said: "We have not secured the pledges of manufacturers not to deliver brick to members of the Contractors' association. The brick manufacturers will not deliver brick to non-union contractors simply because they know that if they do so the members of the Brickmakers' union will strike in their yards.

No developments occurred in the building labor war yesterday, as the cold weather prevented any work being done.

Trouble is expected today at the Madsen & Ibsen factory, 391 Austin avenue, where an attempt will be made to put non-union woodworkers to work.

A meeting of the Machinery Manufacturers' association will be held today at the Great Northern Hotel to determine what action shall be taken in regard to the demands of the Machinists' union.

G. A. Crosby & Co. deny that their machinists have struck. The company says it was preparing to move into its new factory in Archer avenue, and dismissed the men.

WILL HEAR ABOUT GAMBLING.

"Get-Rich-Quick" Schemes to Be Investigated Closely by the Grand Jury.

Arrangements will be made today for the investigation by the grand jury of a number of the "get-rich-quick" concerns which have recently attracted the attention of the police. The grand jury has cleared its decks and will hear nothing but cases involving gambling tomorrow. There will be all varieties of schemes presented in which the victim is allured by the prospect of sudden riches. These will include stud and draw poker, roulette, and pools on foreign races. Among the concerns which will be investigated will be the following:

The Turf Investment company, 80-84 Adams street, E. E. Farley, manager.

Cooperative Trust company, 80-84 Adams street, L. M. Morrison, secretary and manager.

Inter-Ocean Commission company, 64-66 Wabash company, J. D. Mitchell.

Security Savings society, 183-184 Dearborn street, D. W. Moody, agent.

Investors' Protective association, 540 Rialto Building, Frank E. Stone, manager.

Security Savings society, 1062 Security Building, W. R. Bennett, manager.

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GEN. M'NULTA'S BODY IN STATE.

It Is Removed to the First Regiment Armory and Viewed by Several Thousand Persons.

General McNulta's body was removed yesterday afternoon from the family residence at 5112 East End avenue to the First Regiment Armory in Michigan avenue, where it lay in state. The large drill hall was decorated with flags, and when the casket had been placed in its position the national colors were draped over it. A guard of honor, composed of six members of Grant Post and the same number from the Naval Reserve Veteran association in uniform, surrounded the coffin. During the afternoon several thousand persons filed past the bier. A number of floral offerings were presented by friends and organizations to which General McNulta belonged, and these were placed around the casket at the armory. The following persons have been selected to act as honorary pall-bearers:

Judges P. S. Grosscup, R. S. Tuthill, C. C. Kohlsaat, and O. N. Carter; John C. Black, Joseph B. Leake, Charles G. Dawes, W. D. Washburn, Otto Gresham, H. R. Hobart, John J. Herrick, Charles U. Gordon, John B. Hood, R. M. Landis, W. J. Calhoun, and Edward Harrison.

SUICIDE FOLLOWS INSOLVENCY.

Former State Senator Fleisheim of Menominee, Mich., Takes His Own Life.

Menominee, Mich., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—Former State Senator Joseph Fleisheim, who failed for $75,000 to $100,000 last week, committed suicide this morning by shooting himself in the head. He was to have met creditors today by appointment. Mr. Fleisheim was one of the most prominent business-men of the city, having conducted an insurance agency here for the last twenty years. He was also largely interested in mining and other enterprises. His failure was due to unsuccessful investments. He carried life insurance to the amount of $54,000.

Many Bankrupts Freed from Debts.

Nearly 100 bankrupts were discharged from their debts yesterday by order of Judge Kohlsaat. The list was the largest yet passed upon. In most of the cases liabilities were small.

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FRAUD ON WALL STREET.

SAID THAT MANY BEAR OPERATORS WILL BE INDICTED.

Grand Jury Declared to Have Connected Prominent Speculators with False Rumors and Even to Have Found That They Have Been Interested in the "Get-Rich-Quick" Concerns—One Broker Confesses to Having Burned His Books.

NEW YORK BUREAU CHICAGO TRIBUNE, New York, Feb. 26.

Twenty-five men, it is said, will be indicted by the special grand jury now in session as a result of the investigation into the recent bear movement affecting Brooklyn Rapid Transit. Some of these indictments will be for violation of the penal code, which prohibits circulating false information to destroy the value of stocks. Others will be for swindling, pure and simple. The grand jury has examined many witnesses and has found that not only have well-known persons in Wall street been back of the raid on Brooklyn Rapid Transit stock, but that they have also been connected with the 520 per cent syndicates which have been exposed recently.

To Indict Many Wall Street Operators.

Last week the jury called on a well-known firm of Wall street brokers to produce its books, expecting them to furnish additional evidence in connection with the syndicate and the Brooklyn Rapid Transit raid. The firm is one of the most prominent in Wall street and a member of the Stock Exchange. One of the members of the firm appeared, but he did not produce the books.

When asked to explain he testified under oath that on Jan. 1 his firm had opened a new set of books and had burned its old ones. When asked if he could find some memoranda to supply the information sought, he replied:

"Not a scratch of a pen exists by means of which the affairs of the firm prior to January can be ascertained."

It is said that Wall street will be thoroughly stirred up when the list of the accused is made known.

The prosecution admits that it is difficult to prove malice in the publication of reports concerning Brooklyn Rapid Transit, but claims a strong and sufficient case has been made against the men who are to be called before the bar.

After the adjournment of the grand jury today one of the jurors remarked, as he was leaving the building:

"If there were any truth in the old jingle about the liar making brimstone and fire, this building would certainly have been burned today."

A number of witnesses from Wall street had been examined during the day.

Katherine Grey, Justice Smyth decided today, need not furnish Richard Mansfield with a bill of particulars in her suit for $2,500 salary. She asserts that she was forced by Mansfield's treatment to leave his company.

Trust oysters only will be served hereafter in this city if the plans of the Consolidated Oyster company, organized in this city today, are realized. In the four States in whose waters the company will operate grounds and property of oyster men valued at $4,000,000, have been bought. The purchase includes, besides the oyster beds and stock, 150 dredges and steamers. The company estimates that it will distribute nearly 4,000,000 bushels of oysters every season. By the transfer of property the trust owns 6,000 acres of land along Long Island Sound, besides a greater area in New York and New Jersey waters. The trust asserts it will have the exclusive control of the metropolitan market and the export trade to Europe.

Trust Octopus Swallows the Oyster.

Professor O. C. Marsh's collection of Oriental objects, antique furniture, American historical plates, paintings, water colors, rugs, and other artistic property was offered for sale today at the American Art Galleries. The receipts for the day were $1,781.

Justice Smyth of the Supreme Court today granted Marion Manola (Mrs. Jack Mason) $25 a week alimony and $250 counsel fees.

A song won for E. C. M. Fitzgerald a fortune and with it a bride. The announcement that "Eddie" Fitzgerald is married will surprise his friends. He has been married since November. Fitzgerald is the real estate partner of former State Senator McNulty, and his wife was beautiful Laura Fiansotti, whose picture set Monte Carlo wild when it hung in the gallery there in February, 1897. A year later her father, Count Fiansotti, who had introduced illuminating gas into Italy, died, and his orphan daughter was sent to America by relatives to recover her health.

Song Brings a Fortune and a Bride.

While she was here the Italian government purchased from her father's estate the gas plants at Turin, Mondovi, and Genoa for $3,000,000.

Early in the summer of 1898 the Countess visited Bath Beach, where she heard Fitzgerald sing "Beauty's Eyes." The two became acquainted, and later engaged.

It was arranged that before the wedding the Countess should visit her old home, but in November last Mr. Fitzgerald's mother became ill. It was thought that she would die, and so she requested that the marriage should take place at once.

A meeting of the Presidents and other executive officers of the Chicago east-bound lines will be held in this city on Wednesday to consider and take action on the demoralization that has followed the manipulation in rates on grain and packing-house products. Some attention will be paid to the joint passenger agreement and the attitude of the Lake Shore and Michigan Central toward it.

Irving Hey, a Whitestone (L. I.) boy, and a veteran of the Spanish-American war, has won his spurs in south Africa. At East London, England, he enlisted in General Brabant's Horse organized and equipped and maintained by the south African multi-millionaire to avenge the loss of his two sons, killed in battle by the Boers. Hey was made a sergeant. In the battle of Dec. 10 before Stormberg Hey led his troop in the bayonet charge up the kopje, all the officers having been wounded, and escaped without a scratch. General Brabant was on the scene when Sergeant Hey distinguished himself and immediately recommended him to General Gatacre for promotion to a Lieutenancy.

American Boy's Plucky Work for British.

The residence of Robert A. Johnson, a retired merchant of this city, at Mount St. Vincent, was destroyed by fire this morning, and Mr. Johnson barely escaped with his life. The house cost $100,000 and was filled with valuable paintings, furniture, and rugs.

Madison Square Garden in all probability soon will be the New York up-town postoffice. Instead of being devoted to cakewalks, bicycle races, and dog shows it will be given over to mail and the purposes of a government building. Postmaster Cornelius Van Cott today said he believed the Congressional Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds would recommend the purchase of the garden; also that First Assistant Postmaster General Heath is in favor of it. Mr. Heath accompanied the committee from Washington for the purpose of explaining why he considered the garden the most suitable site.

Madison Square Garden as a Postoffice.

The attorney for A. S. Lascelles & Co., dealers in Porto Rican products, who is seeking through the United States Circuit Court of this district to have Collector of Customs Bidwell refrained from levying duties on goods brought here from Porto Rico, filed an amended bill of complaint today. He maintains that the Island of Porto Rico, which has been referred to by President McKinley in his official papers as a part of the new possessions of the United States, is "not a foreign country" within the meaning of the customs laws, and that Collector Bidwell ought to refund $500,000 which he has collected in duties on Porto Rican goods brought to the port of New York.

Gotham's End of the Tariff Problem.

The amended bill of complaint says that A. S. Lascelles & Co. have formally protested in writing against the wrongful imposition of such duties and have demanded the delivery of articles without payment of any duties on the ground that they were not subject to duties under the laws and statutes of the United States, but that Collector Bidwell has failed and refused to accede to the demands.

A middle-aged man stepped into the office of State Detective Jackson, in Sing Sing State prison, this morning, and said he wanted to see his brother. "Who are you?" inquired Mr. Jackson. "José Ferraro," replied the man. "I come to say good-by to my brother, Antonio." "Your brother has been dead nearly two hours," said Mr. Jackson. "He was electrocuted this morning." "All right," replied José, without changing expression, "then I want to see his body."

Calls to See Brother, Who Has Been Executed.

Mr. Jackson explained that he would have to wait until the body had been prepared by the physicians. José quietly took a seat, and an hour later he was led to the autopsy-room.

"All right," said José, after looking at the body. "I had hoped to see him before his death. I am sorry I cannot bury him. I am too poor." Then he went away.

Antonio Ferraro was the thirtieth prisoner to pay the death penalty in the electric chair in Sing Sing. He was the first of the eight fellow-inmates of Roland B. Molineux to be killed since the clubman's arrival here.

The body of Dr. Franklin L. Caldwell, who killed himself and Mrs. Dr. Ephraim Hayes, wife of his employer, at the Hotel Endicott on Saturday night, was claimed today by Dr. Dimont Caldwell, Dr. Caldwell's father, who will bury it in Greenwood.

Bishop Thomas Bowman of the Methodist Episcopal Church had a narrow escape from asphyxiation from gas on Sunday night. The fact was made public today. He was the guest of the Rev. W. H. Lawrence, who is pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal Church in Manhattan avenue. During the night Dr. Lawrence smelled gas and traced it to the Bishop's room. Without hesitation he broke in the door, groped his way to the gas jet, and turned it off. The Bishop was not unconscious, but on being awakened confessed to feeling stupid and having pains in his head.

Bishop Bowman Narrowly Escapes Asphyxiation.

It seems that the gas jet had two keys, one for lighting and the other for heating purposes. When the Bishop turned off the light key he accidentally turned on the other.

Dr. Lawrence was out when the Bishop retired, but came in a few moments later, and immediately smelled the gas.

Bishop Bowman is 82 years old, but hale and vigorous. He was ordained in 1838, and has been a Bishop for twenty-eight years. He has worked in all parts of the world.

Information has been received that Bishop J. M. Thoburn, missionary Bishop in India, is suffering from nervous exhaustion and that he must take a long rest.

Israel Zangwill, the novelist, sustained a defeat in the Supreme Court today in his suit against an evening paper to recover damages for an alleged libel. Mr. Zangwill asserted that he had been libeled by the publication of these words: "At the Herald Square Theater last night a dramatization of certain scenes in 'The Children of the Ghetto,' written by Israel Zangwill and rewritten by James A. Herne, was produced." The counsel for the paper interposed a demurrer, contending that the complaint, which had already been amended, did not set forth a legal cause of action. The demurrer was sustained, and judgment was ordered for the defendant on the demurrer, with costs.

Zangwill Finds That He Wasn't Libeled.

Young, with plenty of money, with a charming girl ready to be his bride in April, there was pronounced upon Archibald Mandeville today a sentence that carried with it a doom from which there is no pardon. He was pronounced a leper.

Youth from Barbadoes Proves to Be a Leper.

Mandeville is only 22 years old and comes from Bridgetown, Barbadoes. He is a government clerk in Bridgetown, and his father is a wealthy ship broker there. He arrived here on the Lampoit and Holt line steamship Buffon last Friday. He came for treatment, not knowing what his malady was.

At a meeting today of the Executive committee of the Citizens' committee for perpetuating the naval stated that he would pay this amount on Dec. 31, 1900, provided the subscriptions amounted to $400,000. The committee has a pledge from another man that he will give as much as any other subscriber.

arch monument Howard Gould was one of four persons to subscribe $25,000 each. Mr. Gould

Howard Gould Gives $25,000 for Dewey Arch.

Milton Rathbun, the Fourth avenue hay and grain dealer, who started to do without food for forty days to reduce his weight, broke his fast today after thirty-five days and six hours, by eating an orange. Mr. Rathbun, who lost forty-three pounds since he ate his last meal on the evening of Jan. 14, said today that he never felt better in his life. He looked, however, as if he had just arisen from the grave.

Orange Breaks the Long Fast of Milton Rathbun.

When Rathbun went to bed on Sunday night he had no intention of breaking his fast before morning. On retiring he felt a slight inclination to eat. He awoke shortly before midnight, feeling ravenously hungry. He thought this a warning that he had fasted as long as was good for him and decided to break his fast. He woke Mrs. Rathbun and together they descended to the dining-room, where he ate the following: Two oranges, one dozen oysters, five soda crackers, two-thirds of a cup of beef tea, and half a cup of tea.

After breakfasting Mr. Rathbun returned to his bed. He woke again two hours later, still feeling hungry. He ate another orange, and slept soundly until morning, when he ate crackers and milk. At noon he had his first regular lunch, and now he will keep on eating.

Government bonds went up a full point today and the price of fours of 1907 and 1925, with the 5 per cent bonds, reached a higher level than any touched last year. The demand was ascribed to the belief of individuals and corporations that there will be unusual call for the bonds when the refunding law goes into effect and the banks are allowed to issue circulation up to par value of the bonds. The 4 per cents of 1925 reached today the highest price in their history, the 4s of 1907 the highest since 1891, when the government was still buying bonds heavily.

Government Bonds Advance in Price.

John D. Crimmins, who is now in Florida, may be appointed receiver of the Third Avenue railroad company. The Protective committee of the stockholders, of which Frederick P. Olcott is chairman, sent a telegram to him last Friday asking if he would take the receivership if one became necessary. Mr. Crimmins' reply was in the affirmative. On all sides was heard talk of the appointment of a receiver. Nevertheless, efforts to raise enough money to see the company through its difficulties were continued.

Crimmins as Possible Receiver.

By a vote of 201 to 145 the Bar association tonight refused to adopt the report of its Executive committee recommending that the Assembly be asked to investigate the appointment by Justice Fitzgerald of John F. Carroll, leader of Tammany Hall in Richard Croker's absence, as receiver in the Brooklyn Wharf and Warehouse company.

Declines to Interfere with Tammany.

Stops the Cough and Works Off the Cold. Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets cure a cold in one day. No cure, no pay. Price 25c.

UPHOLD CITY LABOR VETO

COUNCIL DECIDES, 42 TO 10, AGAINST MINIMUM WAGE OF $2.

Mayor Gives Many Objections—Chief One Being That Money Is Needed Sorely for Other Purposes—Ordinance to Relinquish 3 Per Cent Tax on Trolley Line Gross Receipts—License of Delicatessen Stores Reduced to $5.

WORK DONE BY THE CITY COUNCIL.

Sustained the Mayor's veto of the ordinance making $2 a day the minimum pay for city laborers.

Ordered the Corporation Counsel to prepare an ordinance looking to a five-cent fare to Jefferson.

Postponed consideration of the electric lighting contract.

Eliminated the time limit from the drainage water power ordinance.

Received a veto of the order looking to the creation of an auditing department.

Voted $35,000 for the completion of the Robert A. Waller School.

Referred an ordinance reducing the license fee of delicatessen stores.

Passed the "Fortieth street improvement" ordinance.

Mayor Harrison sent in a veto of the Connor ordinance fixing the minimum pay of city laborers at $2 a day to the meeting of the City Council last evening. Alderman Connor tried to have the ordinance passed over the veto, but failed, the vote being 42 to 10 in favor of sustaining the Mayor. The Aldermen who voted in favor of passing the ordinance, the "veto to the contrary notwithstanding," were:

Connor,	Smulski,	Morris,
Cullerton,	Oberndorf,	Brown.
Novak [10th],	Johnsen.	Math—10.
Colson.		

In his veto message the Mayor took the ground that while the ordinance was intended to apply to street laborers it also would affect clerks and other employés; that it would be unjust to fix the pay of street laborers at the same figure as the better class of laborers in the sewer and other departments; that the increase of pay would mean the lessening of the work done in the Street Cleaning department by 25 per cent; and that, under the clause providing for double time on Sundays and holidays, the price paid in the First Ward would be $4 a day.

Continuing, the Mayor said that the street cleaning force as now constituted was composed largely of old men, who did their work satisfactorily and were contented. They were, however, not capable of work requiring more strength, and if the pay for this work were raised the result would be that their places would be sought by more vigorous men, and the employés it was designed to benefit would be crowded to the wall.

Need Money for Other Purposes.

"The city is in no position today to raise the salaries of its employés. Our bridges are either closed or rapidly going to pieces; our streets are dirty and demand the employment of more men, if they are to be put and kept in anything like decent condition; the clay holes in which the city at present is depositing its refuse are rapidly filling and the day is almost here when the city must have reduction or incinerating plants to take care of the garbage; the police force is too small, and its size should be increased if life and property are adequately to be protected; the electric lighting system should be extended so that every street in every ward will be well lighted; small parks in the thickly settled wards are demanded as playgrounds and breathing spots for both young and old to whom fortune has denied the privilege of a yard of their own.

"These and many other demands, rightfully made by your constituents, should be complied with before there should be any question of a salary increase for any class of city employés. The public at large is more interested in good service than in the rate of wages its employés receive. It is willing to pay each of its employés an honest wage, but before making an increase over what has been the city standard for a decade it demands, and justly, too, that your honorable body shall give it the service for which it pays its taxes. Today it demands clean streets, well lit with electricity, properly patrolled by police, and leading up to safe bridges, and it will criticise severely any Alderman who refuses it these just demands and at the same time increases the wage of city employés."

Alderman Butler [Twenty-seventh] had passed an order on the Corporation Counsel for an ordinance which would relinquish on the part of the city the clause in the ordinance of the electric lines in Milwaukee and Lincoln avenues belonging to the Chicago Consolidated Traction company providing for the payment of 3 per cent of its gross receipts as compensation to the city in consideration of the granting of a single fare from the center of the city to Jefferson. The proposed ordinance is based on the presumption that the Consolidated Traction company is soon to be united with the Union Traction company.

Alderman Badenoch brought up the bid of the Commonwealth Electric Lighting company to light the sections of the city north of Fullerton avenue and south of Thirty-ninth street at the rate of $103 a light a year, some 500 lights being required. Alderman Connor raised the point that no contract could be made until the appropriation bill be passed, and moved that the matter be postponed until such time. The Council followed the suggestion.

Mayor Sends In Two Vetoes.

The Mayor vetoed the ordinance providing for the issuance of $2,500,000 of bonds with which to develop the water power of the drainage canal on the ground that it provided the contract with the Drainage Trustees be closed in ninety days, and said it was impossible to get the matter in shape in that time. The ordinance was then repassed with this ninety-day clause stricken out.

The Mayor vetoed Alderman Badenoch's order looking to the establishing of an auditing department on the ground it required an expenditure of money.

Commissioner McGann reported that most of the electric light and telegraph wires in the footway of the Washington street tunnel were there without permission.

Alderman Raymer introduced an ordinance, which was referred, reducing the license fee for delicatessen stores from $15 to $5 a year.

A petition asking for a park, bounded by Center avenue and Throop, Fifty-ninth and Sixtieth streets, was sent to committee.

The ordinance improving a lot of streets in the Twenty-eighth Ward, known as the "Forty-eighth street improvement," was passed.

Alderman Gunther had passed an ordinance allowing $35,000 for the completion of the Robert A. Waller School.

DREYER ON WITNESS STAND.

Former Banker Surprised at Demand on Him for Park Funds—Motions of Defense Overruled.

Edward S. Dreyer, the former banker, was called to the stand in his trial yesterday afternoon. He told of his early life in Chicago and of the many offices of public trust he had held. He was surprised at the demand made upon him by F. M. Blount, the present Treasurer of the West Park board, for the $316,013 claimed to be due. The board had obtained a judgment against the National Bank of Illinois and the court had ordered the money set aside to pay it. Dreyer admitted that when he became Treasurer of the board he owed the bank $200,000 and that at the time of the failure of the bank he owed it $500,000.

Judge Waterman denied the motion that the defendant be discharged on the plea of former jeopardy. Various motions presented by ex-Judge Moran were overruled. Exceptions were taken to each ruling of the court.

RIVAL SWAINS COME TO BLOWS.

J. R. Stafford Gets a Warrant for Arrest of W. C. Downing, Who Cannot Be Found.

J. R. Stafford, an attorney, has sworn out a warrant charging W. C. Downing, a clerk employed by the Illinois Central railway, with assault and battery. Downing cannot be found. The two men are said to be rivals in courting a young woman who lives near Fortieth street and Wabash avenue. They met one night in a café at Fortieth and State streets, and the attorney says he was beaten severely

HARTNETT'S NAME LEFT OUT.

Inspector Not Among the Three Winners in Civil Service Test—Lake Street Pavement Report.

The eligible list for Police Inspectors finally was posted yesterday, and it was definitely determined that Inspector Hartnett will have to give up his present place as soon as the requisition for three Inspectors is made on the Civil Service commission by Superintendent Kipley. Two of the men to be certified will be Inspectors Kalas and Heidelmeier, but whether the third will be Lieutenant Haines or Lieutenant Ptacek has not been settled. It is confidently stated at the City Hall, however, that Lieutenant Haines will step aside and allow Lieutenant Ptacek to be certified. Of course, were Ptacek also to waive his claim Inspector Hartnett would be reappointed, but no one seems to think this is likely to occur. The list as posted is as follows:

Luke Kalas	82.38	F. O'Neill	79.86
Max Heidelmeier	82.00	J. J. Mahoney	79.38
John E. Ptacek	81.00	F. J. Gibbons	76.75
J. J. Hartnett	80.63	John Rehm	75.50
H. F. Schuettler	80.63	Louis Haas	74.88
J. M. Haines	80.50	Martin Hayes	71.00

Inspector Hartnett was given precedence over Captain Schuettler, although their marks were equal, because his application was the first filed. Captain Campbell was near the bottom of the list because he was not allowed experience marks, never having been a patrolman. The marks which sent Kalas, Heidelmeier, and Ptacek to the front were the allowances given them for a knowledge of more than one language.

West Lake Paving Report Delayed.

The Civil Service commission failed to have its recommendations in the West Lake street paving case ready for publication. Commissioner McGann had sent it some affidavits, which he claimed would show that the use of condemned cement was not so extensive as had been shown in the examination, and asked for a reopening of the case on this "newly discovered evidence."

"I desire that the report of the commission take the widest scope," said Commissioner McGann. "If it appears that any one besides the inspectors is at fault the report ought to say so."

The Civil Service commission has thrown out the 900 pending applications for the coming examination for pipemen and truckmen in the Fire department and required that new applications be filed. The reason given is that some of the applications are as much as three years old and it is desired to limit the examination to 150 men. This action has caused much feeling, as it is the rule that when two candidates pass an examination with equal marks priority of application governs. The discarding of this old list has deprived many applicants of their old places.

Municipal Notes.

Consideration of the tunnel ordinance by the Council committee will be deferred until the result of the interview of the River Improvement association with Secretary of War Root is announced. Commissioner McGann believes the city will have to see that the tunnels are lowered before the government acts.

Because all the bids for repairing the elevators in the County Building are high the Superintendent of Public Service was directed by the County board to readvertise, admitting outside firms.

Notice was received that the Chicago Terminal Transfer company will not accept the ordinance for the elevation of its tracks owing to the amendment requiring it to light subways.

SHOOTING OVER A TRANSFER.

Conductor Wounds a Passenger While Fighting About a Trip Slip—Victim Will Probably Die.

Joseph S. Melcher, a bridge builder, living at 6442 Sangamon street, was probably fatally wounded yesterday morning while fighting with P. J. Simpson, conductor on a Sixty-third street trolley car, over the disposition of a transfer slip. Melcher was shot in the back by the conductor, and is said to be in a precarious condition by the attending surgeon at the Englewood Union Hospital. Conductor Simpson and the motorman, Peter Golden, were arrested by policemen in time to save them from injury at the hands of an infuriated crowd of men who witnessed the shooting.

Melcher boarded an east-bound Sixty-third street electric car at Sangamon street. He asked for and was given a transfer. When the car reached the Chicago and Eastern Illinois tracks at Wallace street Melcher got off because of a blockade occasioned by a freight train. He approached a newsboy and asked for a paper in exchange for the transfer. Conductor Simpson objected to the trade, and as a result a fight took place.

During the progress of the fight the freight train blockade had been lifted, and the electric car resumed its trip east. Melcher again boarded the car, still retaining possession of the transfer. He stood upon the rear platform, and while engaged in an argument with the conductor as to his rights threw the paper into the street. Simpson at once demanded another fare, which the bridge builder refused to give, and the fight was renewed.

The car reached Wentworth avenue, and a large crowd, principally men who had been passengers on the car, gathered about the combatants. Motorman Golden had just taken a hand in the fight when Conductor Simpson drew a revolver and fired at Melcher. The bullet struck him in the small of the back and he fell to the street. The crowd, believing that Melcher had been killed, made a general attack upon the street car employés.

Conductor Simpson was holding the angry crowd at bay with his revolver when two policemen came on the scene. One of them carried Melcher into a drug store, while the other went to the aid of the street car men. In the meantime a telephone message to the Englewood Police Station summoned a patrol wagon load of policemen, and the riot was quelled in its incipiency. Simpson and Golden will be held as prisoners awaiting the result of Melcher's injury.

"ALVIN JOSLIN" IS DYING.

Actor Charles Davis Reported Critically Ill of Pneumonia at His Home in Pittsburg.

Charles Davis, known to the theatrical profession and the theater-going public as "Alvin Joslin," is reported to be dying of pneumonia at his residence in Pittsburg. Davis became known all over the country in his play, "Alvin Joslin," which was constructed around bucolic scenes. Its production and his methods of advertising brought him a certain kind of fame and a fortune. A few years ago he built a theater of his own in Pittsburg, "The Alvin." He never played in the more important houses in the large cities. Of late years he lost considerable of his fortune.

FREE DELIVERY IN COUNTRY.

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OBITUARY.

ADOLPH WALLER, Barrington, died last evening at his residence in Barrington after an illness of a few days. Mr. Waller was 69 years old. He was in the drug business in Chicago for many years. Twelve years ago he went into business at Barrington and has resided there since.

WILLIAM DAGGETT, Ottumwa, Ia., died yesterday of apoplexy, aged 70 years. He was a banker and had interests in various enterprises.

A Champagne Triumph.

Unsurpassed quality and unprecedented importations—109,300 cases in 1899, or 72,495 cases more than any other brand, are the features of G. H. Mumm's Extra Dry, whose vintage of 1895 now imported is unusually fine.

NEWS OF THEATERS.

The Merchant of Venice.

A Comedy in Five Acts, by William Shakspeare, Presented at the Columbia Theater by Sir Henry Irving, Miss Ellen Terry, and Their Company.

THE CAST.

Shylock	Henry Irving
Bassanio	Arthur Royston
Duke of Venice	R. P. Tabb
Antonio	Laurence Irving
Prince of Morocco	James S. Hearn
Salanio	Charles Vane
Salarino	L. Belmores
Gratiano	F. Tyars
Lorenzo	Harry B. Stanford
Tubal	J. Archer
Launcelot Gobbo	Charles Dodsworth
Old Gobbo	T. Reynolds
Jessica	Miss Cecil Cromwell
Nerissa	Miss Maud Milton
Portia	Miss Ellen Terry

Nearly two decades have passed since Henry Irving and Miss Ellen Terry first appeared before a Chicago audience in the rôles of Shylock and of Portia. At that first coming and for several thereafter the Irving delineation of the Jew was obliged to stand for comparison alongside that conceived by the favorite American player, Edwin Booth. We who read at this day—for the flight of a few years has made the name of Booth more a heritage than a memory—must believe that no two conceptions of a same part were more different than those of the English and the American actor.

Booth's Shylock has been judged an ideal of the highly poetic tragic. Irving's Shylock—and his we still can see—is a creation of tragedy, but a creation which moves the head more than the heart. That this should be so is from one point of view perhaps its greatest merit. Irving has made Shylock a man first and a Jew afterwards. It happens he hates because he is a Jew, but if he had been of another race he would have hated just as well had the cause been as good. Irving's Jew is an understandable being, a baited, tortured, old man, who turns at last with frenzied hatred on the race he blames for every ill, and would vent on the personage he has in his power the rage he feels against all. Never does he seem more worthy of respect than when, beaten of his cruel revenge, he turns in majestic contempt from his tormenters and makes one of the most effective exits in all stage history.

These thoughts and others of kindred vein traveled through one's mind last night while the first performance of "The Merchant of Venice" during the present Irving-Terry engagement was being given at the Columbia Theater. One cannot say how much the journey of years has changed the fashion of the two portrayals—Shylock and Portia—but one can say that never did these two Shakspearian drawings seem more worthy of sincerest admiration. The impression left, moreover, is that both have been mellowed, made richer and fuller by time. Certainly it is impossible to imagine two parts which could balance each other better, yet be more unlike in every minute particular.

Miss Terry's Portia is the essence of blithesome comedy. She breathes the freshness of youth into an atmosphere otherwise heavy with gloom. Equally in the lighter opening scenes, in the vitally serious business of the court, and in the happy closing picture, hers is the personality which buoys up one's spirits, and, in the sense of making the piece earn its title of comedy, the play. The fact that Miss Terry was a trifle uneven in her acting last night probably did not weigh noticeably against the charm of her performance. In some of the earlier scenes she gave one the impression of saving herself, of being reposeful when more vivacity might not have been unbecoming. Her reading, however, never was anything but most beautiful. To hear Ellen Terry speak Shakspearian verse is pure delight.

The Irving best last night was divided between the scene with Antonio and Bassanio prior to the signing of the bond and the court scene. The sardonic malignity of the one and the conflict of terrible emotions of the other were depicted with power-arising power and command. The scene between Shylock and Tubal received equal signs of favor from the audience, but here, if anywhere, Irving found himself reaching for forces he did not have well in hand.

The court scene brought the usual triumph. At its conclusion Irving made a speech in which he expressed his feeling of gratitude for the cordiality of his reception in the familiar part.

"I speak for myself," he said, "not for Shylock, who, poor fellow, had little to be grateful for. I have been received tonight and the play has been received, as we both were many years ago when first we were seen together in this city."

The support in the main was excellent. Laurence Irving was the properly sad, subdued Antonio and a clear-cut character. He did not, however, give as good a Shakspearean portrayal as might have been desired. He did not recite his lines, but uttered them in the matter of fact way he would have used in speaking modern prose. When he and his father were on the stage together this difference in method was striking. As a contrary example of old style rhetorical enunciation the Prince of Morocco of James S. Hearn was noticeable, and not unpleasantly so. Harry B. Stanford was a spirited, joyous Lorenzo, R. P. Tabb was a quiet scholar as Duke of Venice, and Miss Maud Milton a discreet Jessica.

Apollo Club Concert.

The Apollo Musical club gave the third of its current season of concerts at the Auditorium last evening, before a large audience. The interesting program which was presented was devoted to part-songs for the club and solo numbers for David Bispham, baritone; and Leopold Kramer, violinist. The selections by the club included Bach's motet, "I Wrestle and Pray," two songs by MacDowell, Hecht's "Two Lovers," Gaul's "Daybreak," other selections by Chaminade and Smart, and, as the concluding number of the program, Randegger's "Praise the Lord."

Most of these were well done and some extraordinarily so. One or two rough spots came to notice in the Bach Motet, but the chorale, which forms the conclusion of this piece, was finely given. The MacDowell numbers were excellently sung. The second of these dainty compositions—a "Slumber Song"—is an exceedingly beautiful piece, consisting of a graceful and melodious solo for the sopranos and a humming accompaniment from the other parts. This number was given with exceptional delicacy and poise.

The club's best work, however, was in Hecht's "Two Lovers"—a remarkably fine setting of the well known stanzas by George Eliot—which has long been a favorite number of the club's répertoire, and which was repeated last evening by request. This affective composition was interpreted with unusual precision and elegance and was marked throughout by a splendid quality and balance of tone, resulting in a most impressive performance.

Mr. Bispham added considerably to his already plentiful store of local popularity with his excellent singing of several interesting selections. These were "Brahms' "Four Serious Songs," opus 21; "Love Me or Not," by Secchi, and Beethoven's "Creation's Hymn," and Damrosch's setting of Kipling's "Danny Deever," to which, in response to the urgent solicitations of the audience, he added two encores—Schumann's "Two Grenadiers" and the old English song, "The Pretty Creature."

Mr. Kramer also scored a fine success with his admirable playing. At the close of his first number—a group of selections by Thomé, Simonetti, and Ries—he was accorded the most hearty and prolonged applause. After bowing his acknowledgments several times Mr. Kramer acceded to the audience's demands for an encore, giving as such a concert etude by Lauterbach, the late royal court concertmeister of Dresden. The performance of this difficult and beautiful selection was characterized by an exceptional beauty of tone and technical finish. Mr. Kramer's second number was the Introduction and Rondo Capriccioso of Saint-Saëns.

The Apollo club's fourth and last concert will take place on Thursday evening, April 26, with Mme. Gadski, soprano; Mrs. Marshall Pease, mezzo-soprano; George Jenkins, tenor, and Charles W. Clark, baritone, as the assisting soloists. The program will consist of Horatio W. Parker's "Dream King and His Love"; Hofmann's "Song of the Noon's," for ladies' chorus; Max Bruch's "Fair Ellen," and Massenet's oratorio, "Mary Magdalen."

A Virginia Courtship.

W. H. Crane began the second week of his engagement at Powers' Theater last night with a revival of "A Virginia Courtship."

My Daughter-in-Law.

New York, Feb. 26.—[Special.]—"My Daughter-in-Law," the latest adaptation from the French, presented tonight at the Lyceum Theater, is much like a number of other farces with which New York is familiar. Its principal source of fun is a mother-in-law whose one object in life is apparently to make trouble for her son and his young wife. The comic mother-in-law is still almost a novelty in France. Other characters in the work are an old reprobate, a deaf man, a near-sighted man, and a dyspeptic Alderman who cannot stop swearing. Miss Fannie Brough as the mother-in-law; Ellaline Terriss as the daughter-in-law, Seymour Hicks as the young husband, Herbert Standing as the old husband, J. L. Mackay as the silly secretary, and Henry Kremble as the dyspeptic Alderman give capital impersonations.

'Mam'selle 'Awkins.

If "Mam'selle 'Awkins," Richard Carle and Herman Perlet's new musical comedy, had been exhibited on a race track instead of in the Victoria woe would have been in store for the bookmakers. The way the hundred-to-one shots and selling-platers on the back row of the chorus cantered past the favorites took the first-nighters' breath away. And, too, among the names in big type on the program were Josephine Hall, Etienne Girardot, George Boniface Jr., Mrs. McKee Rankin, and Marguerite Sylva.

At the beginning of the second act Mamie Gilroy sang a waltz song entitled "Dollie." A yellow-headed young man from the unnamed majority of "guests, golf boys, and grooms" was pushed to the front and made the first real impression of the evening. When he was done hugging Miss Gilroy he looked as if he had been in collision with a flour barrel, but he had the audience all on his side.

At the end of the second act came a coon song, "Don't Start No Argument With Him." It belonged to the Beaumont sisters, but Elsie Fay, whose name on the program is among the lesser exhibits, broke into the cake walk and carried off all the applause.

"Mam'selle 'Awkins" has enough life and activity in it to furnish a good evening's entertainment, but there is much license.

RICHARD HOVEY, POET, DEAD.

Born in Illinois and Well Known as an Educator and a Lecturer.

New York, Feb. 26.—Richard Hovey, the poet, professor of English literature in Barnard College, is dead in this city of apoplexy, aged 35 years. He was born in Normal, Ill., and was a son of Charles Edward Hovey, President of the Illinois State Normal University.

He was graduated from Dartmouth in 1885, and began to study for the ministry, but ill-health compelled him to abandon that career. He lectured on Hebrew and Sanscript in the Harper Summer School, and was employed for some years by Boston newspapers.

He had published four volumes in a projected series of nine—a poem in dramas—the first subject being "Launcelot and Guenevere," and the dramas of this series which he finished being "The Quest of Merlin," "The Marriage of Guenevere," "The Birth of Galahad," and "Taliesin."

With Bliss Carman, who was his close friend, he published "Songs from Vagabondia" and "More Songs from Vagabondia." Mr. Hovey was married in 1893 to Mrs. Henriette Russell, a leader in the Delsarte movement.

LATE DEATH NOTICES.

[For other death notices see page 10.]

PASSOW—Mrs. Augusta Passow, beloved wife of Charles Passow, mother of William, Charles Jr., Lou

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SOCIETY MEETINGS.

APOLLO LODGE NO. 642. A. F. & A. M.—Emergent communication Wednesday, Feb. 28, at 9:30 a. m., 3120 Forest-av, funeral of our late brother, Samuel Winsburg. Members requested to be present. J. STIRLEN, W. M.
STANDISH ACRES, Secretary.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1900.

Uniformity in High School Courses.

In nearly every State the lack of uniformity in the high schools is a cause of annoyance to educators. It makes a high school graduation have different meanings in various localities, and causes inconvenience to students who remove from one city to another. The attempt made in Minnesota to solve this problem has been successful, and its extension to Iowa is proposed in a bill introduced by Representative Cowles, and approved by nearly all of the teachers of the State. The bill provides for a High School board, consisting of the Governor, the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, and the President of the State University. The board is to prescribe a uniform course of study for the high schools, and in order to make the board's curriculum effective high schools in any locality are to be given pecuniary aid when they prove that they have adopted the standard set by the board. Schools complying with this requirement are to receive $400 a year each from the State, the limit of appropriation for the entire State being placed at $25,000. The bill is favored by the Superintendent of Public Instruction and by President McLean of the State University. The strongest argument in its favor is its success in Minnesota, where its operation has made the rural high schools as good as the high schools in most large cities.

Legislative Nominations.

The Indianapolis News impresses upon the people of Indiana the importance of aiding in the nomination of good men for the Legislature. The advice is always good, and might find local application in Illinois just now, when the parties are about making nominations. The News, being published in a capital, knows whereof it speaks when it tells of the character of men sent to the average Legislature —"local politicians, shrewd second and third rate lawyers, corporation agents, farmers who have had no experience whatever in large affairs, and therefore are easily fooled and hoodwinked." Whatever fault there is for such selections rests upon the people of the State whom the men represent. This is a truism, and it is also trite to say that the burdens fall upon the people too, for they must pay the penalty of the extravagance and corruption. If the corporations are "held up," they are certain to make it up by increased charges to the people. While the money levied by the politicians comes from the wealthy, they must, in turn, take it from the great masses—the poor and moderately well-to-do. The Indianapolis News declares it is a safe rule never to elect a man to the Legislature who is known to want to go. This is carrying the matter to extremes, but a man who is over-anxious usually is not the kind of material of which a good public serrant is made.

An Unnecessary Commission.

It is true that there are great opportunities for trade in the Orient. But that is no reason why another commission should be appointed to investigate the conditions there. Probably there are a good many men who would like to go to China and Japan, with their expenses paid and a salary besides, but it would be of no special benefit to the United States. The excuse made by the Senate committee, that has favorably reported the bill providing for the commission, is, that it is only thus that the people of the United States can learn how to secure the Oriental trade. This is sheer nonsense. If a commission went there it would merely bring back reports containing information already well known. It could find nothing that has not already been told by our Consuls, or by the reports of the Philadelphia Commercial Museum, or by such travelers as Beresford. Aside from this, American Consuls in the Orient, such as Bedloe, Goodnow, and others, have made excellent reports on trade conditions. Information from these and other sources was published recently in a report of the Bureau of Statistics, that was as exhaustive as the report of a commission would be, and probably more accurate and more useful. If any more information is needed the Consuls will supply it. There are too many commissions now, and there is not sufficient justification for another to visit the Orient.

Where Is That "Healthful Trust"?

President Baldwin of the Long Island railroad gives the following definition of "the healthful trust":

"A producer: one which, through combination of capital, is able to buy raw material at the lowest price consistent with fair profit, is able to pay the highest wages for skilled and unskilled labor, and which sells what it makes at a price less than would be possible if that product was made by a corporation controlling a small capital."

Neither producers of raw materials, nor wage workers, nor consumers can find fault with a "trust" of this kind. The only persons likely to complain are would-be rivals, who find competition impossible and have to get out of business. But where is such a miracle of virtue as the "healthful trust" to be found? It must, like justice, have fled to heaven; or, like truth, have hidden itself at the bottom of a well. There are no vestiges of the "healthful trust" in the resorts of manufacturers and the marts of trade. There is no such a trust in esse. If there be one in posse, it will make its appearance when the millennium does, and will be one of its notable features. The first signs of the advent of the "healthful trust" will be the abandonment of the practice of over-capitalization and of the practice of advancing prices the moment consolidation has been effected and competition has been got rid of. There are no indications as yet of any desire to give up those practices. For the time being, and for an extremely long time to come, the only good "trust," like the only good Indian, will be the one that is dead.

NATIONAL BANK CURRENCY.

The monetary bill agreed on by the Conference committee contains three provisions which are likely to result in a considerable increase of the national bank note circulation, which is now about $245,000,000. They are the contemplated refunding into 2 per cent bonds of the outstanding 3 and 5 per cent bonds and the greater part of the 4 per cents; the authorization to take out notes to the par value of bonds deposited instead of 90 per cent, as in the past; and the reduction of the tax on circulation, when 2 per cent bonds are deposited to secure it, from 1 per cent a year to one-half of 1 per cent.

At present banks which deposit 3 per cent bonds to secure their circulation make a profit on it in excess of 6 per cent on the investment of a little over six-tenths of 1 per cent, which is considerably more than they can make by depositing any other bonds. Were they allowed to take out circulation to the par value of the 3 per cent bonds their excess profits would be increased by two-thirds. If the 2 per cent bonds, which it is proposed to issue, sell at par or a shadow above, the bank depositing them will make a profit on its circulation in excess of 6 per cent on the investment of about 1.43 per cent. It will make a greater profit than by depositing 3 per cents because the proposed reduction of the tax on circulation applies only to the notes issued against the 2 per cent bonds. This is one inducement held out to the banks which have taken out circulation to exchange for 2 per cents the other bonds they hold.

It is apparent that even if the holders of outstanding bonds do not avail themselves of the opportunity to exchange them for 2's, yet there will be an increase in bank note circulation. The banks which have bonds deposited will wish to make all the profit they can by taking out all the notes they are entitled to. That will add about $27,000,000 to the bank note circulation. That would make a total of over $270,000,000. Thirty years ago, however, the national bank note circulation was $300,000,000, being about three-sevenths of the total supply of currency. To what extent the bank note circulation will be increased if the banks are able to deposit 2 per cent bonds is purely problematical. It may be that the banks with a capital of $25,000 which can, under the pending bill, be organized in places with a population of not to exceed 3,000 inhabitants, will be prepared to issue all the notes they are allowed to against deposits of 2 per cent bonds.

Receivers Take Hold of a Trust.

The so-called "flour trust," with a capital of $25,000,000, is in the hands of receivers. It is the first of the recently organized combines to give up the ghost. It was born too late to live long. It was got up after the rage of investors for glittering but not golden industrial securities had abated, and after the depression in value of such securities had begun. The plan of the promoters was to sell first mortgage collateral gold bonds, and thus get from a confiding public the money with which to purchase properties that were to be bought and to supply the necessary working capital. It was found impossible to sell enough bonds, and the company had to borrow money on its collateral trust bonds and in other ways. It has succeeded in piling up a floating indebtedness of over a million, of which $144,000 is due, and $394,000 is on demand loans. When it could borrow no more, and still could sell no bonds, it had to take refuge in the bosom of a receiver. The same fate awaits many other "trusts." Some of them, like this milling combine, may go to pieces, even though the country is so prosperous. Others will go to their graves whenever times grow dull and the payment of dividends on watered stock is impossible.

SOCIETY AND MORALS.

There seems to be a general discussion and agitation of social morals all along the line. New York is still concerned with the alleged offense against public decency committed by Miss Olga Nethersole in the presentation of "Sapho," and with singular inconsistency is not at all concerned with scores of other public performances infinitely more indecent than the actions of Daudet's heroine. The slow-going City of Philadelphia has been thrown into a fever of excitement because Mrs. Langtry, after being snubbed by society and threatened with ostracism, has dared to give her "war tea." This latter event has caused several prominent women to rush headlong into print. The Princess Salm-Salm is offended because of Mrs. Langtry's lack of tact. She should have had her first tea for Manila. Then, if so desired, she could have had one for the Maine. Elizabeth Cady Stanton breaks her long silence to declare "when women close their doors upon men of unquestionably bad character, then I shall indorse a boycott of an individual woman who has erred, not before," which is a left-handed compliment for the Lily. Mary Elizabeth Lease cannot be said to have broken her silence, because she is never still. She follows in Mrs. Stanton's wake and says: "I am for the single standard and believe that men should be quite as good as they expect women to be. I don't think it matters much what society does." Clara Barton thinks women should not turn against a woman when she is working for humanity. Mrs. Theodore Sutro wisely says: "I have pronounced views of the matter, but I must defer a discussion of the subject until I have reached the mature age indicated by gray hairs," which is much the most sensible word that has been uttered.

The discussion started by Professor Sumner of Yale is also raging. It will be remembered the professor declared: "In the strictest sense marriage is an ideal that has never been realized. Vicissitudes act on and change the married pair and not more than 10 per cent of them realize their ideal of marriage." Commenting upon this wholesale statement, of Professor Sumner, which it would be difficult either to prove or disprove, Cardinal Gibbons, who, a few days ago, caused another ripple in the social pool with his denunciation of suffrage leaders and society women, says that ill assorted marriages would become more rare if death alone could dissolve the marriage bond. Then people "would use more circumspection in the selection of a conjugal partner." Bishop Doane of New York thinks it would strengthen the marriage tie if penal legislation could be brought to bear upon marital infidelity. Mrs. W. J. Bryan, who is not often heard, as her husband does all the talking, pithily observes that if Professor Sumner is a bachelor it will account for his pessimism, but if he is a married man and counts himself among the lucky 10 per cent, "one is led to wonder where he has gathered his information."

As we are now approaching the Lenten season, when society is accustomed to enter its retreats, sprinkle ashes upon itself, and meditate upon the pomps and vanities, it is not unlikely that for some weeks to come discussions of an ethical character will increase and social morals will be the prevailing theme. But of what use will it be? What good will come of it? When society emerges at Easter and the doors of Vanity Fair are reopened, will not society resume its gayeties and its follies and forget all about the Nethersoles and Langtrys and the unhappily married 90 per cent? Reforms, social or otherwise, require years of patient, persistent labor, uninfluenced by disappointments or failures. The American public is too fickle and versatile for such work. It will make a great clamor for a time, then settle down in indifference, and things will go as they have been going. It may even take the Rev. Dr. Pentecost's philosophical view of the situation: "I would not pray especially to be led into temptation, but without temptations how may a man's character be developed?"

FIGHTING OVER TRANSFERS.

A few days' trial of the plan devised by the South Side Street railway company to stop the improper use of transfers by passengers shows clearly enough that, while it may accomplish its purpose after a fashion, it is a begetter of strife. The persons who travel on that road have been so in the habit of trading off transfers for newspapers that they do not take kindly to the regulations framed for the purpose of stopping that practice, which unquestionably is a fraud on the company.

The conductors have been ordered to be cautious and as gentle as they can be. Nevertheless, there have been several unpleasant controversies between them and passengers. One of those disputes ended yesterday in the shooting of a passenger. There have been instances where it is claimed the conductors have made mistakes, and it is quite likely that the company will have to attend to some damage suits, which may be expensive as well as vexatious. The instructions given to conductors may not meet with the sanction of the courts in all respects if put to the test.

Therefore it will be advisable for the company to find a better method of putting an end to the traffic in transfers, of which it justly complains, than the one which it is trying, with unsatisfactory results. The North and West Side companies give transfers, but do not suffer as the South Side company does. Possibly if the latter were to copy the method of giving them followed by the former it would have less to complain of. That method is a little harder on the conductor, who has to go through a car just before each transfer point is reached and give slips to all who desire to use them at that point, than the South Side method, where the conductor hands over a slip to every passenger who asks for one when his fare is collected. But a conductor on a South Side line would rather go to a little more bother about giving out transfers than to have daily rows with passengers which may result fatally. Regulations which try too severely the vigilance, caution, and self-control of a conductor should be canceled. The company can protect itself in other ways than those which lead to rows and bloodshed.

D. K. PEARSONS' BIRTHDAY.

THE TRIBUNE is in receipt of the following letter from an "esteemed correspondent" residing in this city:

Dr. D. K. Pearsons will reach his eightieth birthday on the 14th day of next April. Any attempt to signalize the occasion which should involve ostentation, or needless expense to anybody, would probably meet with a prompt and unceremonious rebuff from the doctor himself. It nevertheless seems fitting that something should be done to mark that advanced milestone in the fine old age of the remarkable man in question. To have lived fourscore years is of itself noteworthy. To have within that limit cleared four million dollars honorably and fairly, and then to have given, or have arranged to give, every dollar of it away in a manner unquestionably judicious and effective, is something simply unparalleled. It seems to me that the leaders among those who have benefited by his gifts, and the many others who have seen and admired his great work, should take immediate steps toward appropriately commemorating his forthcoming birthday.

This is a suggestion which strikes THE TRIBUNE most favorably. Doubtless it will appeal even more strongly to those who have been the beneficiaries of Dr. Pearsons' widely distributed gifts. The fact that these beneficiaries are scattered over the broad expanse between the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans will make it somewhat difficult for them all to get together and agree on some mode of commemoration which shall be modest—or Dr. Pearsons would not like it—but which shall be an adequate expression of the warm feelings of those who participate in it. There will be time enough, however, during the next month and a half for most of those to whom the suggestion of the correspondent will appeal to put their heads together and decide on what shall be done on the 14th of April.

Perhaps if Dr. Pearsons were consulted he would advise that the commemoration be postponed till he is 90, for he expects to live that long and longer. But delays are dangerous when one has gotten into the insecure 80s. The commemoration should be month after next.

THE FRENCH MARKET OF "PETIT PARIS"

Among the sights which the many tourists to the Mardi Gras City at this season make a point of visiting is the old French Market. It is the principal one not only in volume of trade but still more so in picturesque interest among the score or more of markets which New Orleans owns. It occupies the spot where the first public market was built in 1823 and so is one of the landmarks in that old portion of the city which bears so many evidences of the succession of French, Spanish, and American sovereignty. The French names of the streets, the Spanish architecture, the rows reserved for slaves to the rear of many houses, still register great historical facts. Just across Decatur street is Begue's ragged but famous second story, where, if you wish to sit down with the forty-four others to the 11 o'clock Sunday breakfast and watch your host and his wife as they prepare their renowned viands in the adjacent kitchen, you must have your "name down in the book" for days in advance. A little farther away in Esplanade street are creole families who still preserve their ancient traditions and live in a proud seclusion unpenetrated by general society.

The market itself in its proprietors and patrons is equally distinctive and diversified. A more cosmopolitan grouping would be difficult to find. It is the popular mart of a section of the town to whose fundamental differences of blood modern immigration has added pretty nearly its utmost in human variety. Sunday morning is one of the best days for retail trade and so for observation. The shambling negro men and good-natured negro dames with "kerchiefs about their heads, the alert Italian wife, drumming up trade at her husband's fruit stand; the swarthy Moor, repeating, parrot-like, a single advertising phrase which he has acquired; and the stalwart Austrians who, with their fleet of luggers near by, have monopolized the oyster trade, are no more sure of attention than are the handsome Creole women, who, prayer book in hand, saunter along the rows of stalls after hearing mass at St. Louis' Cathedral nearby.

A market with its bountiful fruits and other stores is under any circumstances a grateful sight and a place where people meet and are assimilated. The old French Market is much more than a place of trade. It is to a peculiar degree a great democratic drawing-room, where many and nearly all sorts and conditions of people meet and learn of each other, and in diversity and picturesqueness of human types its throngs are, perhaps, unmatched in the world.

POLITICS IN MONTANA.

If Montana had had a larger population, or if Senator Clark and Marcus Daly had not had so much money, politics in that State would not have been so thoroughly corrupt for the last few years. The testimony given before the Senate Committee on Elections shows that there are a few men of integrity in Montana. There is, for instance, a Supreme Court Judge, who, though in debt, refused a bribe of a hundred thousand dollars. But it is evident that the standard of political morals is so low that it is a misfortune the holding of elections in the State cannot be suspended until a new generation of voters and politicians, not debauched by the wealth of millionaires, has come upon the scene.

For years Daly and Clark have been bitter personal enemies. Both are rich. Each has been willing to spend money freely to thwart the plans of the other. Senator Clark admits that he spent between Aug. 1, 1898, and Sept. 1, 1899, $140,000 for political purposes—for the Senatorial and preceding legislative campaigns. He defends this outlay on the ground that it was impossible to break the Daly power in the State "unless large sums of money were used legitimately." An angry millionaire is not likely to be rigid in his views as to what is a legitimate use of money, the only weapon of political warfare with whose use he is familiar.

Montana probably has now about 60,000 voters. If it had as many as Illinois has, the sums which Daly and Clark have expended in their struggles for supremacy would not have had so corrupting an influence. It is easier to buy up a small than a large body of voters, and Clark and Daly had between them money epough to buy up for one or the other faction nearly all the persons in Montana who were deemed worth buying.

Neither of these combatants is a person of refined sensibilities. Neither of them can see any more impropriety in holding out special inducements to a member of the Legislature who favors his opponent, so as to win him over, than in offering higher wages to a mining superintendent or some other employé of a business rival, so as to secure his services. Occasionally when business-men go into politics they introduce their "business" methods, which are not always commendable.

The members of the Senate Committee on Elections ought to have no difficulty, after listening to the testimony for and against Clark—his own statement included—in reaching the conclusion that if money had not been poured out like water and legislators bribed, regardless of party, Mr. Clark would not have got a certificate of election. It is not necessary to assume that he himself ordered the purchase of members—that he knew who were bought and how much was paid for them per head. But there is no doubt that Clark's money, handled by his agents, bought him his seat. He may have told them to make only a "legitimate" use of the money. If so they disobeyed him through excess of zeal. The Senate cannot properly decide otherwise than that gross bribery secured Clark his seat and that he cannot be allowed to retain it. The Senate cannot afford to condone the Montana method of electing Senators.

MODERN ROBINSON CRUSOES.

The old injunction to love your neighbor as yourself is no longer obeyed in the letter of the law. For in the city the number of one's neighbors is legion and to distribute one's affections throughout a large apartment building is too much of a strain upon the heart strings. In spite of all the coöperative forces now working in society the fact still remains that the city, for the unacquainted, is a social wilderness, a desert island, where even a man Friday may not come to relieve the loneliness.

There is less and less friendly visiting among the well-to-do and it is likely that you will not know that your neighbor has been ill until you see the crape on the door, or that another is to be married until you see the wedding cake going in. In poorer neighborhoods there is more of a friendly spirit revealed, and a walk down the southern portion of Dearborn street will disclose sociable colored souls leaning out of front windows and exchanging compliments across the street. Brides from the country, whose husbands are socially unknown in the city, will blush unseen in the deserts of a flat building, and their reception gowns will grow old-fashioned before they meet the gaze of friendly callers.

It is not because people have grown less sociable, but because some other force than propinquity is necessary to bring them together and because neighborhoods are made up of such large units that it is impossible to get around to call. In the suburbs there is more of that old-fashioned habit of "dropping in" and more of the tendency to keep informed of the affairs of one's fellow-men.

Pear Raising in Iowa.

The popular impression has been that pears cannot be grown profitably in Iowa, because the black prairie soil is not suitable, as pears do best on timber soil in high, airy situations. M. J. Graham of Adel, Ia., after experiments made himself, and noting the attempts of others, declares that the dwarf pears can be raised even in the rich black prairie soil of the southern half of Iowa. Quince trees like that kind of soil, and as the dwarfing of pears is done by grafting on the quince the dwarf pear is successful. Mr. Graham says that pears grow in the orchard of the late A. W. Holloway, near Linden, were sold in Chicago and pronounced superior to any pears received from California. The information given by Mr. Graham should be acted upon. The dwarf pear, although short-lived, is a valuable fruit, and it has the advantage that the tree occupies little space, which makes it suitable thus for the garden. There should be some on every farmer's place.

If the ice is accumulating at the crib intake, it can be rendered harmless by boiling it.

As a steady practice, it will be found best to humor the Chicago River. Its new current has come to stay.

THE theory has been suggested that the destruction by fire of that summer garden north of Lincoln Park last Sunday was due to an overheated furnace.

COMMISSIONER FERD PECK is again Bulwerizing the Atlantic Ocean.

IF Mr. Bryan will read up on the history of premature conventions it may take some of the snap out of him.—Chicago Tribune.

We are reliably informed that Mr. Bryan reads in the opposite direction from that suggested by "The Tribune."—Washington Post.

The Washington Post has been misinformed. Mr. Bryan is not a Chinaman. Go to.

THE movement for the free advertising of the Nethersole drama in New York City has been aided materially by the Rev. Dr. Pentecost.

THE end of it will be that the tunnels will drop down or out.

AS TO those wicked persons whom "Dr." Dowie charges with conspiring to murder him, can he not circumvent them by the same methods by which he heals diseases?

IN A MINOR KEY.

Incentive Removed.

First Student—"You needn't hide your cigar. Smoke all you want to. On two days in the week the prohibition is removed, so far as this hall is concerned, and this is one of the days."

Second Student (throwing away his cigar)—"Then I don't care to smoke."

An Eye to Future Investigations.

Chief Lieutenant—"I want $10,000 more for the purpose of——"

Candidate (for Montana Senatorship)—"Stop. I don't care to know what you want it for. I will not knowingly be a party to anything like bribery. Here's a check for the amount."

Made a Difference.

"I want some professional advice. Would it be actionable to publish a cartoon like this in a newspaper?"

"Like that? Not at all, sir. It is merely a bit of newspaper pleasantry, and everybody will so recognize it. The idea that such a harmless little pictorial hit as that is actionable is too absurd to——"

"I am sorry for that. It's a caricature aimed at me, and was published this morning in the Daily Bread."

"O, it's been published, has it? I supposed you were a newspaper man submitting a proof of a cut you thought of printing. Let me look at it again. Why, sir, it's slanderous. It is infamous! Actionable? I should say it was! Sue them for $25,000 damages, sir, and if we don't get a verdict against them I'll eat my head."

Estopped.

Mr. and Mrs. Pipes, it would apear, differed sharply in their views on social and political economy.

Mr. Pipes came home and found that the boys of the neighborhood had torn up his lawn and muddied his sidewalks to a disgraceful extent by playing rude and boisterous games in front of the house.

"Penelope," he said, in a high-keyed voice, can't you keep these young ruffians off our premises?"

"I don't see how I can, Philander," she replied, with her arms akimbo, "so long as you go around preaching socialism and common property in land!"

After Taking.

"Say, I've got a new story on Brown."

(Tells it).

"Yes, that's a new one—on Brown. It was on Jones when you told it to me before."

No Other Way.

"When you showed him his letter to Irene," said Maud, "in which he said the same things about you he had said about her, how did he get out of it?"

"How did he get out of it?" echoed Mabel. "He evaporated."

"Evaporated?"

"Yes. He dried up."

Even That Doubtful.

Johnson—"According to the published tax lists you are one of the rich men of your ward."

Jackson—"Yes. I gave in everything I had, including money on hand and in bank, and estimated my household goods at what they actually cost me, as they are all new."

Johnson—"Well, I don't believe anybody else did it. Still, you have the satisfaction of knowing you have been honester than other people, even if it did cost you a little money. You have retained your own self-respect."

Jackson—"Ye-es. But I'm a thick-skulled, crack-brained, wall-eyed, chuckle-headed, measly, infernal old idiot, without sense enough to be an understudy for a ring-tailed monkey, darn me!"

PERSONALS.

William B. Bradbury, a millionaire hotel owner of San Francisco, amuses himself occasionally by running the elevator.

The Czar of Russia said not long ago that his happiest moments were those passed in the library among the books at the Winter Palace.

Sir Reginald Palgrave, who resigned recently from the clerkship of the House of Commons, entered the service forty-seven years ago.

Representative Littlefield of Maine, who favors the prohibition laws of the State, was embarrassed at a euchre party in Washington by winning as a prize a handsome beer stein.

Addis Abeba, King Menelek's capital, is a vast camp of circular huts with thatched roofs, scattered without method over an area about five miles square. The King's palace is fashioned like a Swiss chalet, roofed with red tiles from Europe.

On the tomb of John Ruskin's father at Shirley, England, is an epitaph by his son, which reads as follows: "He was an entirely honest merchant and his memory is, to all who keep it, dear and helpful. His son, whom he taught to speak the truth, says this of him."

One of the doorkeepers of Congress the other day tried to stop at the entrance a tall, gaunt man, none too well dressed. "Don't you know you can't go in there?" demanded the doorkeeper. "Why, I thought I could," replied the stranger. "Nobody but Congressmen allowed today," was the reply. "Well, I'm Congressman Cushman of Washington."

FOREIGN NEWS NOTES.

The average progress on the Simplon tunnel is sixteen feet a day.

The government of New Zealand provides work for all applicants at the rate of $2 a day.

Berlin has seventy public monuments, a larger number in proportion to the size of the city than that of any other European capital.

The Imperial Bank of Russia, the Bank of Belgium, the Bank of the Netherlands, and the Bank of Italy hold less gold than they held a year ago.

A movement is on foot among European powers to do away with the age limit on Ambassadors, making the tenure of office dependent solely on a man's capabilities.

At Muheim on the Rhine a firm makes steel wire towing ropes 5½ inches in circumference in one continuous length of nearly nineteen miles and weighing 230 tons.

The Society for Ethical Culture at a recent meeting in Munich discussed a plan for the establishment of public libraries and reading rooms fashioned after American models.

War times are making a thriving business for palmists and fortune tellers in London. Women, who are anxious about their friends at the front, make a numerous patronage, and many soldiers consult the palmist before going out.

A French commission is in Algeria to inspect ground over which the government will be urged to construct a railway to enable France to dispatch 12,000 troops to any part of the French Soudan, west of the Nile, if it should be necessary.

In England there is a marked decrease in the number of prisoners for trial at the winter assizes. It is supposed to be because so many men have gone to the war that employment is plentiful, and one of the chief incentives to crime—want of work—is absent.

The report of Alfred Picard, General Commissioner for the Paris exposition, shows a tendency in France to buy more from foreign countries than is sold to them. Although the imports from Japan, China, Turkey, and Sweden have decreased, those from America, England, Germany, Spain, India, Russia, Chile, Italy, Australia, Switzerland, Austria, Brazil, and the Argentine Republic show a considerable increase. The exports to Belgium, Germany, Russia, Switzerland, Algeria, Madagascar, and Tunis have increased; but, on the other hand, those to England, United States, Spain, Italy, Brazil, Low Countries, and Argentina are on the decline.

The London census for the last week in January reports 105,108 paupers on the relief fund. This total compares with returns of 106,030 and 105,469 for the corresponding weeks of the two preceding years, and with 107,347 for 1897. Of this total 67,926 were classed as indoor paupers, as against 68,988 so returned last year, and 68,181 and 67,927 for the two previous years. The number of outdoor paupers amounted to 37,152, and compares with totals of 37,042 and 37,288 for 1899 and 1898 respectively, and with 39,420 for 1897. Besides these there were 967 vagrants, consisting of 704 men, 185 women, and 18 children, who on that same day received temporary relief.

Generous in One Respect.

Kansas City hotel men have fixed their rates for the Democratic convention season at $5 per day for each cot—six to a room—with baths extra. Guests will not be charged for heat, however.—Milwaukee Sentinel.

Interval of Peace.

"Do you do any penance during Lent, Aunt Minerva?"

"Yes; I quit mixing up with the church rows."—Indianapolis Journal.

Tame and Gentle.

Iowa experts agree that the Horace Boies boom for Vice President is as gentle as if it had been born in captivity.—New York Mail and Express.

RICHARD OLNEY ON "OUR FOREIGN POLICY."

Richard Olney, former Secretary of State, contributes an article on the "Growth of Our Foreign Policy" in the March number of the Atlantic Monthly. Mr. Olney writes:

"The characteristic of the foreign relations of the United States at the outbreak of the Spanish war was isolation. The policy was traditional, originating at the birth of the republic. It received the sanction of its founders—of Washington preëminently—had been indorsed by most, if not all, of the leading statesmen of the country, and had come to be regarded with almost as much respect as if incorporated in the text of the constitution itself.

"What the policy enjoined in substance was aloofness from the political affairs of the civilized world in general and a strict limitation of the political activities of the United States to the concerns of the American continent.

"It has been distinguished by two salient features, which, if not due to it as their sole or chief cause, had certainly been its natural accompaniments. One of them was the Monroe doctrine, so-called, briefly affecting our relations with foreign powers. The other was a high protective tariff, aimed at sequestering the home market for the benefit of home industries, and though, legally speaking, of merely domestic concern, in practical results operating as the most effectual of obstacles to our intercourse with foreign peoples.

"While the Monroe doctrine and protective tariff may be regarded as the distinguishing manifestations of our foreign policy prior to the Spanish war our 'international isolation' has had other important consequences which should be briefly reverted to.

"The isolation policy and practice have tended to belittle the national character, have led to a species of provincialism and narrow views of our duties and functions as a nation. They have caused us to ignore the importance of sea power and to look with equanimity upon the decay of our navy and the ruin of our merchant marine.

"They have made us content with a diplomatic service always inadequate and often positively detrimental to our interests. They have induced in the people at large an illiberal and unintelligent attitude toward foreigners, constantly shown in the disparagement of other peoples, in boastings of our own superiority, and in a sense of complete irresponsibility for anything uttered or written to their injury.

"This attitude of the people at large has naturally been reflected in their representatives in public life, while in officials brought in direct contact with foreign affairs it has often been greatly intensified.

"Apparently in their anxiety to not fall below the pitch of popular sentiment they have been led to strike a note altogether beyond it. Hence have come, only too frequently and on but slight pretexts, violent diatribes against foreign governments and gross abuse of their peoples and institutions, not merely on the hustings, but on the floor of the Senate or House; not merely by unknown solicitors of votes, but by public officials in stations so prominent as to give their utterances an air of real significance.

"The bad taste and worse manners of such utterances from such sources, whether in the past or in the future, need not be enlarged upon. The difference for the future is that they can no longer be made with impunity nor be excused by any professed belief in their harmlessness. The cheapest politician, the most arrogant demagogue, cannot fail to realize both that, after joining the international family of European States, the United States cannot afford to flout its associates and that foreign governments and peoples cannot be expected to discriminate between the American people and those who represent them in appearance, however much they may misrepresent them in fact.

"Though historians will probably assign the abandonment of the isolation policy of the United States to the time when this country and Spain went to war over Cuba, and though the abandonment may have been precipitated by that contest, the change was inevitable, had been long preparing, and could not have been long delayed. The American people were fast opening their eyes to the fact that they were one of the foremost powers of the earth and should play a commensurately great part in its affairs.

"They had come to resent a policy and a condition of things which disabled the nation from asserting itself beyond the bounds of the American continents, no matter how urgently such assertion might be demanded in the interests of civilization and humanity, and no matter how clearly selfish interests might coincide with generous impulses and with what might even be claimed to be moral obligations.

"They had begun to realize that their industrial and commercial development should not be checked by limitation to the demands of the home market, but must be furthered by free access to all markets; that to secure such access the nation must be formidable not merely in its wants, and wishes, and latent capabilities, but in the means at hand wherewith to readily exert and enforce them; and, as it could not hope to compass its ends without a sympathizer or friend among the nations, that it was imperative the United States should be ready to take any concerted action with other nations which its own special interests might require.

"In short, when our troubles with Spain came to a head, it had, it is believed, already dawned upon the American mind that the internal policy suitable to our infancy and our weakness was unworthy of our maturity and our strength; that the traditional rules regulating our relations to Europe, almost a necessity of the conditions prevailing a century ago, were inapplicable to the changed conditions of the present day; and that both duty and interest required us to take our true position in the European family, and to both reap all the advantages and assume all the burdens incident to that position.

"Therefore, while the Spanish war of 1898 is synchronous with the abandonment of its isolation policy by the United States, it was not the cause of such abandonment, and at the most only hastened it by an inconsiderable period. So, while the Spanish war ended in the acquisition of Cuba by the United States, that result was neither unnatural nor surprising, but something sure to occur, if not in the year 1898, before many years, and, if without war, then by a cession from Spain more or less compulsory in character.

"It may be thought at first blush that to speak of 'the acquisition of Cuba by the United States' as a fact accomplished is inaccurate. But the objection is technical, and the expression conveys the substantial truth, notwithstanding a resolution of Congress which, ill-advised and futile at the time of its passage, if now influential at all, is simply prejudicing the interests of Cuba and the United States alike. No such resolution can refute the logic of the undisputed facts or should be allowed to impede the natural march of events.

"To any satisfactory solution of the Cuban problem it is vital that Cuba's political conditions should be permanently settled. The spectacle now exhibited of a President and his Cabinet sitting in Washington with an appointee and sort of imitation President sitting with his Cabinet in the Antilles must have an end, the sooner the better, and will end when Congress ceases to ignore its functions and makes Cuba in point of law what she already is in point of fact—namely: United States territory.

"Were there to be a plebiscite on the subject such a consummation would be favored by practically the entire body of the intelligence and wealth of the country. Until it is reached people will hesitate to go there. Emigration from this country will be insignificant, and Cuba will fail to enter upon that new era of progress and development, industry, political and social, which is relied upon to justify, and ought to justify, the substitution of American for Spanish control.

"This evolution of the United States as one of the great powers among the nations has, however, been accompanied by another departure radical in character and far-reaching in consequences. The United States has come out of its spell and ceased to be a hermit among the nations, naturally and properly. What was not necessary, and is certainly of the most doubtful expediency, is that it should at the same time become a colonizing power on an immense scale.

"The annexation of the Hawaiian Islands need not now be taken into account and is to be justified, if at all, on peculiar grounds not possible to exist in any other case. But why do we find ourselves laboring under the huge incubus of the Philippines?

"It is certain, and has recently been declared by the highest authority, that, having acquired by our arms nothing but a military occupation of the port and city of Manila, we voluntarily purchase the entire Philippine archipelago for $20,000,000. The power of the government to buy, to acquire, territory in Hawaii may be, indeed, probably should be and must be, admitted. Its exercise, however, must be justified by something more than the fact of its possession. Such exercise must be shown to have been demanded by either the interests or duty of the United States.

"Does it appear or is it argued that the Spanish war was unnecessary—that the pear was ripe and ready to fall in our laps without war and the killing of the reconcentrados, could we have only kept our heads and our tempers—that with a fair degree of tact and patience and common sense the Philippines might have been pacified, the astonishing answer is declamation about the beauties of the 'strenuous life,' the latest euphonism of war.

"If not bound to buy the Philippines by any consideration of concord and duty, was it our interest to buy them? Colonies may be greatly for the advantage of a nation. If it have a limited home territory and a redundant population, distant dependencies may afford just the outlet required for its surplus inhabitants and for the increase and diversification of its industries.

"It is manifest that no considerations of that sort are applicable in the case of the United States and the Philippines. Were our population ever so dense, it could not be drained off to the Philippines, where the white laborer cannot live. But the United States, far from having a crowded population to dispose of, has an enormous area of vacant land which for generations to come will be more than adequate to all the wants of its peoples.

"Our purchase of the Philippines can be justified then, if at all, only by its effect in creating or extending trade and commerce with the Philippines and with China. What can be said for the purchase from that point of view?

"On this subject the thick-and-thin supporters of the administration seek to dazzle our eyes with the most glowing visions. A soil as fertile as any on the globe needs but to be tickled with the hoe—to use Douglas Jerrold's figure—to laugh with abundant harvests of all the most desired tropical fruits. Minerals of all kinds are declared to abound everywhere—virgin forests of the choicest woods to be almost limitless in extent—while, as for coal, it is solemnly asserted to be even dropping out of the tops of mountains.

"Nothing, in short, is too good or too strong for the defenders of the Philippine purchase to say of the natural resources of the Philippines, and, with declamation on that single point, they usually make haste to drop the subject.

"They do not stop to tell us what we are to sell to a community whose members live on the spontaneous growth of their mother earth and clothe themselves much as did our first parents after the expulsion from Eden.

"They fail to tell us, further, with what labor the vaunted resources of the islands are to be exploited, since the white laborer cannot work there and the native will not.

"Shall we take the ground that what is bad for the United States is yet good enough for the Philippines, and so legalize coolie immigration from China? Or, being just recovered from the bloodiest war of our time waged for the national life, but caused and inspired by hatred of negro slavery, shall we now follow up our Philippine investment by adopting the system of quasi-slavery known as 'indentured labor' and hire 'black-birders

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ARMOUR WILL IS FILED.

TESTAMENT OF PHILIP JR. DISPOSES OF ESTATE VALUED AT $8,000,000.

City and Country Residences Are Bequeathed to His Widow and the Remainder of the Property Is Divided Among Her and the Two Children—Mrs. Armour, J. Ogden Armour, and P. Anderson Valentine Are Named as Executors.

The will of the late Philip D. Armour Jr. was filed for probate yesterday and accompanying it was a petition for proof, containing an appraisement of the estate, which is placed at $8,000,000. All of this estate is given to the widow and two children of the testator. The real estate is appraised at $1,200,000. The remainder of the estate, appraised at $6,800,000, consists chiefly of stock in the Armour Packing company and a partnership interest in Armour & Co. of Chicago. It is divided equally among the widow and children.

The family residence at Michigan avenue and Thirty-seventh street and the farm and country house at Oconomowoc, all of the household effects, horses and carriages, are given to his widow, Mrs. May E. Armour.

The children, two boys, Philip D. Armour, 7 years old, and Lester Armour, 5 years old, are to have not less than $10,000 a year until they are 21 years old. The executors named for the estate are J. Ogden Armour, brother of the testator, Mrs. May E. Armour, the widow, and P. Anderson Valentine, who are to act without surety.

The first clause provides for the payment of Mr. Armour's debts and funeral expenses and the second contains the bequests to Mrs. Armour.

Cares for His Children.

The third is as follows:

I give, devise, and bequeath all of the rest, residue, and remainder of my estate to my brother, J. Ogden Armour, my wife, May E. Armour, and P. Anderson Valentine, the survivors or survivor of them and their successors, in trust for the uses and purposes following—to-wit: In their discretion, to convert the same into money or otherwise change the form thereof, in whole or in in part, or to allow the same to remain in whole or in part in the same form in which it may be at the time of my death, and out of the income from said estate to devote to the maintenance and education of and in allowance to each of my children, Philip Danforth Armour and Lester Armour, and such other child or children as may be born to and survive me, such sum not less than $10,000 per year, to each as in their discretion may be just and proper for the best interests of such children, until they severally attain the age of 21 years, and upon his or her arrival at the age of 21 years to pay or turn over to him or her his or her proportionate equal share of the said trust estate and its accumulations, taking into account the sums paid to each respectively during his or her minority, and upon final distribution of all of said trust estate and its accumulations amongst my children this trust shall cease. Should any of my children die before attaining the age of 21 years, leaving issue, the share of such child shall be divided between his or her children as and when they each attain the age of 21 years in equal shares.

May Sell His Holdings.

The fourth expresses the wish that his holdings in the Armour companies be converted into cash or securities independent of those concerns when it can be done without detriment to his estate or surviving associates, who shall have preference in buying the holdings.

The will bears date of April 5, 1899, and is witnessed by Arthur Meeker, 2016 Calumet avenue; Elisha E. Chandler, 5130 Lexington avenue, and Charles W. Comer, 60 Division street.

The instrument was filed by Attorneys L. C. Krauthoff and William E. Quinn. The appraisers of the estate were John C. Black, George H. Webster, and F. C. Farnum. The hearing of the petition was set for March 19.

WEDDED WITHOUT PERMISSION.

James S. Nicholson Anticipates His Father's Wishes and Marries Secretly at Jeffersonville, Ind.

Relatives and friends of James S. Nicholson, 3344 Vernon avenue, were much surprised yesterday when a letter was received by his father which contained the announcement of his marriage to Miss Alice Carrell of Cincinnati last Tuesday. The engagement of the couple was announced during the winter and their wedding was set for June. On Tuesday they went from Cincinnati to Jeffersonville, Ind., and were secretly wed. They kept the fact of their marriage from even the bride's parents until Saturday. The young people are now on their way to New Orleans and propose to take a yachting trip on the gulf.

Mr. Nicholson is the son of T. Nicholson, a building contractor, and is a partner with his father in the business. He is 26 years old and prominent in South Side society. His bride is but 17 years old and comes from an old Virginia family. Her father built and operated steamers on the Ohio River for many years.

Some time ago the Nicholsons took the contract for the seventeen-story Union Trust Building in Cincinnati and James Nicholson went to that city to superintend the work. He met Miss Carrell and the young people at once fell in love with each other. They became engaged with the approbation of both families, but, owing to the approaching nuptials of the girl's older sister, their wedding was deferred until June.

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EVENTS IN CHICAGO SOCIETY.

Calendar for Today—One Hundred and Fifty Young People Attend Bachelors' Dance at Lincoln Hall.

Society events for today:

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Glessner, 1800 Prairie avenue—Reception for President Eliot of Harvard and Mrs. Eliot.

Mrs. William S. North, 26 Walton place—A reading and luncheon.

Mrs. E. A. Potter, 4832 Madison avenue—A young people's supper and dance.

The Misses Congdon, 3300 Forest avenue—Afternoon card party.

The wedding of Miss Louise Crawford and Mr. Hayden Bates of New York at noon at Grace Episcopal Church.

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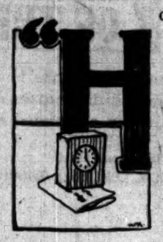
SHORT STORY OF THE DAY



"How soon shall we reach the ranch?" asked Victor Holliday, settling into his great coat and taking his first outdoor view of the Black Hills.

"Soon!" growled Bird Slater, the driver of the wagon that had been sent from the Big Butte ranch for the week's supplies and Victor Holliday. "I guess you won't call it soon. It'll be moonup before we git there, even if the hosses do their level best—which they can't on these roads."

Holliday did not mind. Moonup or sunup, it was all the same to him. He was away from the grind of the commercial machine for the first time in years—a machine which had caught him in its cruel belting cogs at an age when the world ought still to have been his plaything. Left by the death of his father with overheavy burdens upon him in the way of the management of a large mercantile concern, he had spent six or seven of the choicest years of his life in an effort to acquire experience without paying too high a price for it. He had succeeded in his business to such an extent that he was accounted one of the most accute and energetic among the young businessmen of the city. The price he paid was a jaded spirit, wearied nerves, a lost appetite, and a maddening insomnia.

"Three months' perfect rest!" dictated his physician. "Or I'll not be answerable for the consequences."

So, without knowing why, he had chosen the Black Hills, availing himself of the oft-repeated invitation to put to test the hospitality of the Big Butte ranch, of which his friend, Somers Stevenson, was owner and manager.

The forenoon passed quickly. The sense of being among the wild places of the earth exhilarated him. He envied the men and women whom he saw working in the fields or about the lonely shacks of wood or sod. He said to himself that they could not possibly realize their freedom from care.

It had been many weeks since he had felt the pang of healthful hunger, but the sun was not midway in its course before he began to think of the delights of a spread table.

"We'll stop at Newlands'," vouchsafed Bird.

"Is that an inn?" Holiday inquired.

"Naw! There ain't no inns in this here part of the country."

Before the sod habitation of the Newlands Bird hallooed loud and long, but no voice answered.

"They're gone t' town," he remarked, but all the same he descended from his seat, got out bags of feed for his animals, and then proceeded to walk into the front door of the Newlands' house. He signaled Holiday to follow him, which that young man did somewhat reluctantly. He was not accustomed to entering houses during the absence of their owners.

But Bird Slater evidently had no such compunctions.

"Set down," he commanded. Then he proceeded to build a fire, to draw water from the well, and put the kettle over. More, he got out the skillet and warmed it. Helped himself to a side of bacon, from which he cut half a dozen slices; made free with corn bread, coffee, and stewed prunes, and at last invited Holiday to a dish of hot meat and steaming coffee.

"Well!" said Holiday, compelled by his hunger to accept this invitation, "of all the impudent things I ever heard of in my life, this takes the cake! I thought I'd seen cheek in the city, but never anything to equal this."

"Cheek!" cried Bird angrily, "This ain't cheek! This is the custom in these parts, sir. What I have is mine—unless you're hungry. Then it's yourn. Why, man, you don't think the Newlands would count us as havin' good sense if we went by their place with empty stomachs, do you?"

"This is a mighty neat looking place, Bird," commented Holiday, looking around at the agreeable interior, with its muslin curtains, its shelf of books, its sewing table and rockers, and its vista of an orderly bedroom.

"Yep," acquiesced Bird, his mouth full of bacon. "There's women folks here. You kin allays tell where there's women folks. Bub Newlands ain't 17 yit, and he's the only man of the family. Mrs. Newlands, she's a widow and she took up this claim and settled here. She's got two daughters—Sally and Nell. They're plucky girls, too, I tell you."

The meal was finished, Bird gathered up the soiled dishes in a pan, poured hot water over them, and proceeded to wash and dry them. When everything was replaced he threw ashes over the fire, laid 50 cents upon the table, and said:

"Well, let's be humping ourselves."

"Wait a minute," begged Holiday, "I want to write a note." A spirit of romance and adventure took possession of him. He tore a leaf from his notebook and wrote on it:

"Miss Sally Newlands: A stranger has sat beside your hearth and eaten of your fare. When the little timepiece, which he leaves as a token of your unconscious hospitality, has made its round four times, he will call to thank you."

He drew a little leather-framed traveling clock from his pocket and placed it upon this note. And, as he rode away, he wondered how it was that a woman's ruffled apron and a little scarlet shawl could give a look of inviting domesticity to the dun interior of a sod cabin.

His friend's ranch was among the mountains where the shooting and fishing were of the best, and it was shooting and fishing that he had come for, but for all of that he got into a saddle—though he was not used to a horse's back—and made off over the hills to the Newlands' shack.

The house was not uninhabited this time. Far from it! Three hearty and handsome women sat in it—women used to making the most of every opportunity that offered. To feast and entertain a grateful and handsome stranger was a joyous opportunity, not to be accepted in the spirit of coquetry, but with honest friendliness and gratitude.

As for Holiday, he was honestly curious about these unaffected and capable women, who took their hardships as a matter of course and who wrenched happiness out of misfortune.

In the three months that followed Holiday let no week pass without visiting this self-respecting home. Perhaps of all the influences that operated to rest his wearied nerves and sooth his fatigued mind, the placid courage and sweet good sense of these women were the most potent factor. It seemed to him that he would never be able to do without this influence.

He told Sally Newlands so the week before he left.

"I love you," he said, "I want to take you home with me when I go."

"O!" she cried, "why do you go back East? Why not stay here? We could build another room on the shack and live with mother."

He smiled at her perfect unconsciousness of the part he played in the world and of the part he was asking her to play. Her simplicity enchanted him. He used an argument which he thought she would understand.

"Well," he said, "I must go back to my mother."

"If you feel that way," she retorted, "do you think I ought to leave mine?"

But he had further arguments, and she went East with him. And as Holiday looked at his red-cheeked bride in her shabby little traveling frock and red Tam O'Shanter he smiled many times at the thought of all the surprises life would have in store for her.

Mrs. William Wright, Mrs. Shirley High, Mrs. James Charnley, Mrs. Augustus Byram.

The cotillion was led by Mr. Walter Ayer and Mr. George Pierpont. Before the dance dinners were given by Mrs. John Worthy, 440 Elm street; Mrs. William Waller, 40 Banks street; and Mrs. William R. Manierre, 396 Superior street.

Some of those present were:

Miss Alice Higinbotham, Miss Alice Stone, Miss Mary L. Prentice, Miss Hazel Martyn, Miss Marion Austin, Miss Marjorie Burns, Miss Hazel Haskins, Miss Ethel Hooper, Miss Joan Chalmers, Miss Grace Hill, Miss Noyes, Miss Frances Isham, Mr. Jos. Winterbotham, Miss Mervyn Winston, Miss Edith Key, Miss Muriel Byram, Miss Edith Hoyt, Miss Narcissa Niblack, Miss Waller, Miss Mary Dana, Miss Marion Strong, Miss Margaret Manierre, Miss Katherine Bayley, Miss Willetts, Miss Russell, Mr. Honore Palmer, Mr. Edwin Stanley, Mr. Arthur Meeker Smith, Mr. Marshall Clark, Mr. Alphonse Chandler, Mr. William Otis, Mr. Clayton Dana, Dr. F. S. Doane, Mr. Stanley McCormick, Mr. John Carpenter, Mr. Herbert Stone, Mr. Walter Smith, Mr. Francis Taylor, Mr. Albert Erskine.

Mrs. W. H. Mitchell, 2004 Calumet avenue, gave a breakfast yesterday for Miss Louise Crawford and her bridemaids.

Mrs. John C. Spry, 363 Ashland boulevard, gave a luncheon yesterday.

Mrs. John Winterbotham, 15 Walton place, held an informal at home yesterday.

Miss Selma Rothschild, daughter of Mrs. Jacob A. Rothschild, 2633 Michigan avenue, and Mr. L. L. Warshauer of New York were married last evening at 6:30 o'clock at the Standard club. Dr. Emil G. Hirsch performing the ceremony. Only relatives were present. Mrs. B. H. Brunswick of Cincinnati, sister of the bride, was the only attendant. After a short trip to Europe, Mr. and Mrs. Warshauer will be at home at the Netherlands, New York City.

A dramatization of Mrs. Gaskell's "Cranford" is to be given on the evening of March 8 at Lincoln Hall for the benefit of the Y. W. C. A. settlement. The cast will include a number of North Side society people. Among the patronesses are:

Mrs. Bryan Lathrop, Mrs. Watson Blair, Mrs. Hobart Chatfield-Taylor, Mrs. Robert Patterson, Mrs. Arthur Ryerson, Mrs. Chas. MacDonald, Mrs. Charles Henrotin, Mrs. William P. Nixon.

A series of stories and legends in French will be given at the home of Miss Healy, 387 Ontario street, on Thursday evenings in March.

Beginning tomorrow Professor Graham Brooks will give a course of six lectures on social and economic subjects Wednesday mornings at the residence of Mrs. Harold F. McCormick, 88 Bellevue place.

Mrs. Edward L. Ryerson, 31 Banks street, is in New York.

PASTOR A. D. KING OUT UNPAID.

Resignation from Westminster Church Accepted After Acrimonious Debate, $900 Being Due Him.

After a bitter wrangle the Chicago Presbytery yesterday accepted the resignation of the Rev. A. Dunlap King as pastor of the Scotch Westminster Church. Dr. King became pastor two years ago at a salary of $75 a month. It appears that $900 back salary is due, and this formed the basis of the dispute. Dr. King threatens to sue the church and the presbytery. A committee was appointed to adjust the salary dispute. Dr. King wanted the acceptance of his resignation postponed until his salary was paid.

The Rev. Dr. Henry Irving Rasmus, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Oak Park, addressed the meeting of the Methodist Episcopal ministers on Stephen's power as a preacher.

The Baptist ministers at their weekly meeting discussed the suffering in India, where several missionaries of that faith are working. The Rev. Myron W. Haynes was selected to solicit subscriptions.

Ex-United States Commissioner William Eaton, who two years ago was assigned to look after educational matters in Porto Rico, entertained the Congregational ministers. He explained the difficulties of teaching the natives English.

The monthly dinner of the Fellowship club was held in the afternoon at the Palmer House. Dr. Frank Crane's new book, "The Religion of Tomorrow," was discussed. The theory of atonement set forth was criticised freely.

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MARQUISE DE FONTENOY'S LETTER.

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One cannot help being somewhat amused at the pathetic appeal of the Turkish envoy to the United States that the American public should cease to occupy itself about his domestic affairs. Of course, the attention lavished by the press upon the women of his household must have proved a great shock to him. For in Mohammedan countries it is considered a downright insult to ask a man after his wife in either the singular or plural sense. But still at the same time the envoy, who has already served as secretary of the Ottoman Embassy in London before coming to this country, must have known to what he exposed himself from the moment that he brought not only his wife and sister-in-law but likewise their—well, let us call it "chamberain"—to the United States.

It is the first time on record that the domestic arrangements of the Orient have been transplanted to the Western hemisphere, and I confess that, although I have enjoyed the personal acquaintance of Turkish Ambassadors in London, Berlin, Vienna, and Rome, I have never known any one of them go to the length of setting up a seraglio as part and parcel of their diplomatic establishments. When I use the word seraglio I do not mean it in the sense indicating a plurality of wives.

The Sublime Porte, realizing that these features of Oriental life are diametrically opposed to Western ideas, makes a point of confiding the representation of its diplomatic interests abroad either to Christians in its employ—a case in point being the present Ottoman Ambassador in London, Costaki Pasha, as well as his two predecessors, Rustem and Musurus, all three of them Christians, or else to bona fide followers of the prophet, who are willing to live "en garcon," and to leave their harems at home. In fact, the Turkish Minister at Washington is the only one of the Sultan's envoys accredited to a Christian power who has ventured to set up his harem within the precincts of his legation, and, in view of the recent popular outcry against the presence at Washington of the Mormon member of Congress, Roberts, the administration must feel somewhat relieved that his Turkish Excellency should so far have contented himself with a single wife, instead of availing himself of the permission of the prophet to wed four.

Through the death at the Cape of Sir G. Henry Stockenstrom his nephew, Andrew, who is now leading one of the Boer commandoes recently under General Cronje, against the English, becomes a full-fledged English Baronet, this being the only case so far as known during the present century of the holder of a British title being in arms with the enemies of England against his native land. What renders the offense of young Sir Andrew particularly unpardonable is that he has received his entire education in England, first of all at Eton, and then at Pembroke College, Cambridge, from which university he graduated, subsequently being called to the English bar at the Middle Temple some ten years ago. Nor has he a single drop of Dutch blood in his veins. His family, as indicated by his name, is of Swedish origin, and has been settled at the Cape of Good Hope since the beginning of the century. One of his granduncles was both a gallant soldier in the service of the English crown and a member of the bench. His grandfather was Lieutenant Governor of Cape Colony, and was created a Baronet of the United Kingdom by Queen Victoria after she had been three years on the throne. Young Sir Andrew's father was one of the most eminent Judges of the Supreme Court at Cape Town, while his uncle, whom he has just succeeded, was a retired officer of the Sixty-first Regiment of Infantry, and for many years a prominent and much respected member of the Legislative Council at Cape Town.

Sir Andrew has, therefore, no excuse for joining the enemies of his country, and it will be curious and interesting to watch what deal with his case. He is something more than an ordinary rebel. In fact, in the eyes of the law, he is guilty of the crime of high treason, and, while there is no likelihood of his being subjected to the frightful penalties still in legal force for the punishment of high treason, and which comprise being drawn on a hurdle to the place of execution, there hanged by the neck until dead, after which the head is severed from the body, and the latter cut by the executioner into four quarters, yet we may expect to see him sentenced to a long term of penal servitude, as well as to the forfeiture of his Baronetcy, which, owing to the fact that he is unmarried and the only male survivor of his family in the direct line, will consequently become extinct.

A good deal of attention has been attracted in Paris by the action of old Princess Mathilde Bonaparte in giving a grand dinner in honor of the election of General Mercier to a seat in the Senate. Mercier took so conspicuous a part in the Dreyfus affair, constituting himself the leader of the ex-Captain's persecutors, and of the anti-Semite party, that it is difficult to understand the meaning of the entertainment. For until now the Bonapartes have been careful to avoid making the mistake of which the Duke of Orleans has rendered himself guilty in antagonizing the all-powerful Jewish party in France.

MARRIAGE VOWS HOLD GOOD.

Internal Revenue Officer Explains Ruling on War Stamps Required for Certificates.

[Editor of The Tribune]: I notice in the editorial columns of THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE of this date an article which convinces me there is some misunderstanding in regard to a recent ruling made by this office to Wm. H. Hall, justice of the peace. The editorial is evidently based on certain items which have appeared in the news columns of the daily papers during the last few days.

Laying aside the injustice of suggesting that I am guilty of attempting a practical joke, "with a view to seeing how many of the couples united in the last twenty months are desirous of getting their freedom again," I beg leave to inform you that the article is misleading and is causing a great deal of disturbance and uneasiness in the minds of many couples united in the "holy bonds" in this district since July 1, 1898.

I have been called up by telephone in the office and at my home at all hours of the day and night to explain this ruling. I am unable to judge whether all the anxiety comes from the 90 per cent unhappily married or "the remaining 10 per cent which Professor Sumner acknowledges as happy marriages."

How there should be such a misunderstanding or misconstruction of my ruling I cannot understand, unless it was that Justice Hall was so blinded by the prospect of having an opportunity of marrying all over again the many couples he has united since the adoption of the war revenue act and the receipt of the fees attached thereto that he did not carefully read the ruling referred to.

At any rate, in order to ease the minds of all concerned, I wish to inform you that this office has not held that a marriage license is taxable under the war revenue act of June 13, 1898, and that the ruling referred to applied to a marriage certificate.

My ruling was to the effect "that a marriage certificate is taxable under the war revenue act if such certificate is required by law."

The certificate which has caused so much misunderstanding was one issued by William T. Hall to a couple in Michigan, and if the laws of the State of Michigan require that such a certificate be issued then it would be a certificate required by law, and should be stamped to the amount of 10 cents.

If, as I understand to be the case in Illinois, the certificate is not required by law then it does not require a stamp. Trusting you will allay the hopes and fears aroused by the discussion, through your columns, I am, yours respectfully,

F. E. COYNE, Collector.

TO SHIP BODY OF LAFLIN.

Son of the Chicago Man Takes Charge of Remains at Old Point Comfort.

Newport News, Va., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—The body of Lycurgus Laflin of Chicago, who died at Old Point Comfort yesterday of heart failure, will be shipped via the Chesapeake and Ohio railway tomorrow to Chicago. John Laflin, the dead man's son, arrived at Old Point Comfort this morning from New York and took charge of the body.

ONE ROOF FOR CHARITIES

PLAN TO PUT ORGANIZATIONS IN THE SAME BUILDING.

Block Would Become the Headquarters of Societies in Chicago—Ernest P. Bicknell Describes How Work Could Be Done Better if the Arrangement Were Made—Officers of Three Associations Are Looking Now for Quarters.

Half a dozen of the down-town offices of charitable institutions will be gathered under one roof, and possibly on one floor, in some office building, in a short time, it is expected. Ernest P. Bicknell, Superintendent of the Bureau of Associated Charities; H. H. Hart of the Illinois Charitable Home and Aid society; and T. D. Hurley of the Visitation and Aid society, are searching for suitable quarters.

The plan was suggested a year ago, but some of the societies could not make any changes at that time on account of their leases. They are ready now to join the plan.

Beside the three mentioned, it is believed the Visiting Nurses' association, Illinois Industrial School for Girls, Protective Agency for Women and Children, and the Bureau of Justice may be brought into a building, which will become the headquarters for charity organizations in Chicago.

This movement, taken with the action of the Commercial club on last Saturday evening, looking toward a consolidation of charitable organizations, is believed to be the beginning of a movement to get charity in Chicago on a business basis.

Concerning the plan for the various societies to get under one roof, Superintendent Bicknell said:

"We are scattered now, and therefore working at a disadvantage. Frequently the services of two or three different societies are required by the same family, and considerable running around, which takes time and costs money, must be done. With adjoining offices relief could be started from all in a short time.

"When we get all of the bodies so they will fit together evenly, and not lap over into each other's territory, we will accomplish a great saving.

"The system is patterned after the ones now in vogue in New York, Boston, and Kansas City. We can fill an entire floor, and could take care of a building, if we had it. Here is an opportunity for some wealthy man, who thinks it a crime to die rich, to furnish the societies quarters."

WANTS TO LEARN OF THE POOR.

Society Formed to Discuss Subjects Relating to Class Distinctions and to Apply Theories.

The Higher Practical Educational society is the name of a new organization on the South Side. Its object is the discussion of subjects pertaining to class distinctions. It aims to bring about a better knowledge of persons in less fortunate circumstances than the members, most of whom are boys and girls.

James W. Gossard, one of the promoters, explains it as follows:

"We see a lack of the practical application of theories advanced for the betterment of boys and girls whose situation in the world has not been the most fortunate through lack of opportunities. Some of the subjects which will be discussed at the future meetings are: 'What Are the Requisites of a Practical, Healthy, Industrious, Worthy Life of Success?' 'Who Is a Gentleman and Who Is a Lady, in the Best American Sense of the Word?' 'Cannot Boys with Advantages and Success Afford to Spend a Short Time Occasionally in Meeting with Boys with Fewer Advantages to Discuss Mental, Moral, Physical, and Industrious Habits?' 'Should It Be a Loss of Dignity for Girls with Many Advantages to Meet with Girls Who Have None, or Almost None, to Talk Over Matters That Are of Interest to Girls of All Classes?'"

The society's headquarters is at 2446 Michigan avenue.

GIVE WATCH TO NEW BISHOP.

Members of Grace Episcopal Church Make Presentation to Former Rector, the Rt. Rev. C. P. Anderson.

The members of Grace Episcopal Church of Oak Park presented to the Rt.-Rev. Charles Palmerston Anderson, former rector of the parish, a gold watch last evening at a reception in Masonic Hall, Oak Park, given by the women of the parish to Bishop Anderson and wife. The presentation was made by A. W. Giles, senior warden of the parish.

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Do you know what happens to the human system when the kidneys become clogged? They are unable to throw out the impurities from the blood, and become infected with poisons; they decay, fall apart, and pass out in the urine; the blood, unfiltered, carries the poison all through the system, and if not checked death follows. The kidneys are the sewers of the human system.

When your kidneys are not doing their work, some of the symptoms which prove it to you are pain or dull ache in the back, excess of uric acid, gravel, rheumatic pains, sediment in the urine, scanty supply, scalding irritation in passing it, obliged to go often during the day and to get up many times during the night to empty the bladder; sleeplessness, nervous irritability, dizziness, irregular heart, breathlessness, sallow, unhealthy complexion, puffy or dark circles under the eyes, sometimes the feet, limbs or body bloat, loss of ambition, general weakness, and debility.

When you are sick or "feel badly," no matter what you think the name of your disease is, the first thing you should do is to afford aid to your kidneys by using Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy.

In taking Swamp-Root you afford natural help to nature, for Swamp-Root is the most perfect healer and gentle aid to the kidneys that is known to medical science.

Perhaps you are in doubt about your kidneys and want to find out. Here's a simple test. Take from your urine passed when you arise in the morning about four ounces; place it in a glass bottle and let it stand for twenty-four hours. If, upon examination, you find any settlings or sediment, if it is milky or cloudy, or if particles float about in it, disease has gotten a foothold in your kidneys and nature is calling for help.

If you have the slightest symptoms of kidney or bladder trouble, or if there is a trace of it in your family history, you would profit by taking Swamp-Root every now and then as a preventive, and thus absolutely forestall kidney and bladder troubles.

The famous new discovery, Swamp-Root, has been tested in so many ways, in hospital work, in private practice, among the helpless too poor to purchase relief, and has proved so successful in every case that a special arrangement has been made with "The Tribune" by which all of our readers who have not already tried it may have a sample bottle sent absolutely free by mail; also a book telling all about kidney and bladder diseases, and containing some of the thousands of testimonial tributes from men and women reclaimed to lives of happiness and usefulness by the means of Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy.

Swamp-Root is so remarkably successful that our readers are advised to write for a free sample bottle and to be sure and state that you read this generous offer in "The Chicago Daily Tribune," when sending your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y.

If you are already convinced that Swamp-Root is what you need you can purchase the regular fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles at the drug stores everywhere.

Free to the Ruptured

Dr. W. S. Rice, the Well-Known Authority, Sends a Trial of His Famous Method Free to All.

Out of the chaos of old-time failure comes a new and startling cure for rupture. Dr. W. S. Rice, 456 N. Main-st., Adams, N. Y., has invent-

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ed a method that cures without pain, danger, operation, or an hour's loss of time from the day's work. To avoid all questions of doubt he sends free to every sufferer a free trial of his method and there can be no earthly reason why any one, rich or poor, should not avail themselves of this generous offer. As an inst

REPORT GAINS IN CARBON

DIRECTORS MAKE ANNUAL STATEMENT TO STOCKHOLDERS.

Profits Equal to 4¼ Per Cent—American Clay Manufacturing Company Organized in New Jersey—Lake Street Securities Weak After Announcement of Appellate Court Decision—National Steel Acquires New Properties—Financial Notes.

The annual meeting of stockholders of the National Carbon company was held yesterday at Trenton, N. J. The financial statement showed net earnings for the year ending Jan. 31, 1900, of $451,687. This is equal to 4.51 per cent on the combined preferred and common capital stock of $10,000,000. There was applied to dividends on the preferred stock at 7 per cent $315,000. Net earnings above the dividend requirements on the preferred were equal, if applied, to 2¼ per cent on the common stock. The earnings, however, were used in building additions to plants, and a large amount was charged off for depreciation. The net earnings for the year were disposed of in the following manner:

Dividends on preferred stock	$315,000
Additions to plants	96,177
Depreciation account	63,749
Doubtful accounts charged off	1,414
Profit and loss account	35,945
Total	$451,687

The balance sheet, as of Feb. 1, shows:

ASSETS.

Real estate, plants, machinery, etc.	$ 9,300,000
Merchandise, manufactured and unmanufactured	368,600
Cash	213,213
Bills and accounts receivable	308,606
Total	$10,190,424

LIABILITIES.

Preferred capital stock	$ 4,500,000
Common capital stock	5,500,000
Fourth dividend on preferred stock	78,750
Accounts payable	15,729
Profit and loss account	35,945
Total	$10,190,424

Clay Manufacturing.

The American Clay Manufacturing company has been incorporated in New Jersey with $10,000,000 capital stock, all of one class, as a consolidation of twenty-eight sewer pipe and clay manufacturers in the Ohio River Valley and in the clay district at Akron, O. The company will also issue from $2,000,000 to $3,000,000 6 per cent first mortgage five-year bonds, the manufacturers taking, it is said, stocks and bonds in payment for their property. The plants which will remain independent of the company are said to be five in the Akron district, four in Pennsylvania, three in New York State, and four elsewhere in Ohio. Charles R. Flint of New York had charge of the financial end of the scheme.

Officers of the National Tube company make the following announcement: "The company has sufficient ore and coke at old prices to run its furnaces throughout this present fiscal year, ending June 30 next, and favorable contracts have been made for all raw materials to be required for the ensuing twelve months thereafter. The merchandise and material on hand are the largest in our history. The cash resources are estimated at over $18,000,000 net, including over $5,000,000 actual cash. We have no outstanding bonds, mortgages, or liens of any description, and pay cash for all purchases of supplies or raw commodities. Since the company commenced operations July 1, 1899, the number of individual stockholders has increased 50 per cent."

Weakness in Lake Street Securities.

The decision of the Appellate Court yesterday holding that property-owners may sue elevated roads for damages led to weakness in Lake Street securities at the stock exchange. Profits of the company say that the decision covered one point and did not involve the main issue at contest.

Lake Street stock sold at 10 and at 11 and the certificates sold at 9 and at 9⅜. The debenture bonds sold at 89 and at 88¾.

The Tennessee Coal, Iron and railroad company reports for January:

	1900.	1899.	Increase.
Net	$312,972	$170,337	$235,635
Fixed charges	54,776	46,563	8,213
Dividends	28,125	32,764	225,422
Surplus	258,186	92,764	

The fixed charges include charges of the Alabama Steel and Shipbuilding company, assumed by the Tennessee company.

Financial Notes.

The two iron properties to be acquired by the National Steel company, as mentioned last week, are the Spence and Cooper mines in Duluth, Minn. It is announced that the Ohio furnace, at Youngstown, O., with a capacity of 600 tons per day, will be put in blast, and two other furnaces of a similar capacity will be started in a few months.

Charles T. Yerkes is expected to return to Chicago today from New York, the details of the purchase of the Consolidated Traction company by the Union Traction company having been arranged satisfactorily last week.

The Republic Iron and Steel company has declared the regular quarterly dividend of 1¾ per cent on the preferred stock, payable April 20. Books close on March 15 and reopen on April 30.

Stockholders of the Cleveland, Lorain and Wheeling railroad company will meet on March 1 for the purpose of issuing new bonds not to exceed $10,000,000, the proceeds to be used in part for retiring old bonds and the remaining $4,000,000 for repairs and new equipment.

Eleven bids were received for the $17,000 school bonds of Hamilton, O. They were awarded to the Second National Bank of Hamilton at a premium of $527.

The bid of Sperry, Jones & Co. for $875,000 5½ per cent city stock of Baltimore, Md., made public in 1950, was accepted. The bid was 113.17⅛, and was the highest received.

Foreign exchange was weak yesterday at the following figures in Chicago:

Sterling—	Demand.	Sixty days.
Actual	487	483½
Commercial	486	483¼
Paris francs—		
Actual	517½	520
Commercial	519⅝	521¼
German marks—		
Actual	94 15-16	94 5-16
Commercial	94⅝	93⅝

Closing Curb Prices.

Closing curb prices on unlisted securities in New York yesterday were as follows:

	Bid.	Asked.
Air Power	35	42
Amalgamated Copper	90	90¾
American Hide and Leather		
Do pfd	60	71
Chicago and Alton subscriptions	109	109½
Distilling Company of America	74	77
Do pfd	26½	27½
Electric Vehicle	39	44
Do pfd		165
Illinois Electric Vehicle	2	2½
National Salt	48½	49¼
Do pfd	90	93
National Tube	52	52½
Do pfd	93	93¾
Otis Elevator	23	24
Do pfd	86	88
Royal Baking Powder pfd	93	94
Rubber Goods	73	75
Do pfd	81½	82½
Standard Oil	531	534

Sales on the Chicago Stock Exchange yesterday were as follows:

Description.	Sales.	High.	Low.	Close.
American Linseed	100	14¼	14¼	14¼
Do pfd	880	56⅝	56	56¼
American Radiator pfd	50	104	104	104
American Tinplate	50	31	31	31
Canal and Dock	200	70	70	70
Chicago City railway	12	275	275	275
Chicago Union Traction	25	25½	25	25
Do pfd	50	75¼	75	75¼
Diamond Match	230	123	124	124
Lake Street Elevated	390	11	10	10
Lake St. Elevated certif	300	9¾	9	9
Metropolitan Elevated	50	28	28	28
Do pfd	200	77¾	77¼	77¼
National Biscuit	1,407	36½	36	36¼
Do pfd	90	92	92	92
National Carbon	120	19¼	19¼	19¼
Do pfd	350	85¼	85	85¼
National Steel	100	45¾	45¾	45¾
South Side Elevated	25	98½	98½	98½
Shelby Steel Tube	200	115	115	115
Do pfd	100	75	75	75
Union Elevated	30	98	98	98
West Chicago	741	111	110	110¼

BONDS.

$15200 Lake deb 5s	80
8000 do	88¾
2000 do	89
1000 Lake Inc 5s	30
12000 N W El 5s	99¾

Clearings at the larger cities yesterday and a week ago were:

	Feb. 26.	Feb. 19.
New York	$103,316,582	$100,832,505
Chicago	26,431,533	22,818,167
Philadelphia	16,900,491	16,762,045
Boston	14,677,099	11,338,067
St. Louis	6,727,258	5,684,215
Baltimore	2,561,306	2,600,045

New York exchange sold yesterday as follows: Chicago, 50c discount; Boston, 5c discount; Cincinnati, 25c discount after; St. Louis, 25c discount bid, 10c discount asked.

BREAK IN SUGAR TRUST STOCK.

Leads the Wall Street Market in a Day of Generally Lower Values.

[BY E. W. HARDEN.]

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—[Special.]—The sensational break in Sugar just before the close of the exchange today was the principal feature of the market. The opening on Sugar was weak and it was followed by a four-point drop, but this gave way to a recovery in which most of the loss was made up. Just before the close, however, Sugar was offered in big lots and prices went off rapidly until a low price of 103⅝ was reached and the close was only ¼ point above the low figure of the day.

Transactions in Sugar were in excess of those in any other stock, the sales for the day amounting to 104,000 shares, and the closing price was 7¼ points below the final figures of Saturday. The preferred stock lost 3 points in today's market.

The whole list was weak today, except in the case of a few of the railroad securities, some of which advanced in the face of a general weakness in the security list. Third Avenue was again hammered and a new low record established. Tennessee Coal and Iron also sold off sharply, but in both of these stocks there were subsequent recoveries which carried them at the close above the low prices of the day. Other special stocks were weak, though in the case of Federal Steel, National Steel and Republic Iron and Steel common fractional gains were shown from Saturday's final figures.

The weakness in Sugar was in part the result of a report that the directors had definitely decided to cut dividends in half. Appreciation grew out of the fight made against a tariff to be applied to imports from Porto Rico, and also to the growth of the beet sugar industry in the West.

A telegram from Philadelphia was circulated saying that an authority close to the Havemeyers had stated that it had been definitely determined to cut the dividend rate to 6 per cent and that the directors at their meeting in March would declare a quarterly dividend of 1½ per cent instead of the usual 3 per cent dividend.

The Third Avenue situation continues badly muddled. All sorts of stories are in circulation regarding a receivership and of an intention on the part of the directors to resign, of the company's having financed its floating obligations, and of the last syndicate's having definitely abandoned all negotiations. According to the officials of the company, there is no truth in any of these reports.

The Rothschilds are deeply interested in the new rapid transit tunnel. This comes from an authoritative source, and while the exact proposition of the stock of the new company that will go to the Rothschilds is not known, it is said that they will have nearly or quite a majority.

IN THE NEW YORK MONEY MARKET.

General Tendency of Cash and Securities in Wall Street.

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—The railroad department today apparently succeeded in breaking away from the influence of the industrials and speculation. The railroads succumbed in the early dealings to the sympathetic influence of the violent declines amongst the industrials, but during the day a confident demand sprang up for a number of railroad stocks which lifted the whole level of that department materially above Saturday's close. Except in Sugar there were violent rallies from time to time, reflecting the demand from the bears to cover shorts. The strength of the railroad stocks was based upon the substantial ground of increased earnings. The bond market was quiet and irregular. Total sales, par value, $1,380,000.

Money on call steady; actual transactions ranging from 2 to 2½ per cent; last loan, 2; closed offered at 2. Prime mercantile paper, 4½@5½ per cent. Sterling exchange weak, with actual business in bankers' bills at 486¼@486¾ for demand and at 485½@485⅝ for 60 days; posted rates, 484@484½ and 487½@488; commercial bills, 483@483½.

Silver certificates, 59⅝@60⅝. Bar silver, 59⅝. Mexican dollars, 47⅜.

Government bonds buoyant; State bonds inactive; railroad bonds irregular.

NEW YORK STOCK TRANSACTIONS.

Description.	Sales.	High.	Low.	Fb.24.	Closing Fb.26.
Am. Sugar	107,800	119¾	103¾	103¾	111¼
Do pfd	200	112	110	110	
Am. Tobacco	33,500	105¼	105¼	107¼	
Am. Tinplate	400	31⅝	31¼	31¼	31¼
Do pfd	300	89¾	89¾	90	
Am. Cotton Oil	200	33¼	33¼	33½	
Do pfd	60	94½	94½	94½	
Am. Smelting	1,600	93¾	93¾	95¾	95¾
Do pfd	600	90⅝	90	90⅝	
Am. Steel & Wire	16,800	57¼	55¾	56⅝	57¼
Do pfd	1,900	91½	91	92	92
Atchison	2,900	20⅝	20⅜	20¾	20¾
Do pfd	22,300	63¼	62⅜	63½	62⅝
Am. Steel Hoop	800	43	43	43¼	
Anaconda	1,100	43⅜	43	43¼	42¾
Am. Linseed	300	14	14	14	
Do pfd	300	56¼	56¼	56¼	
Am. Malting pfd	300	25	24½	24½	24
Am. Car Fdry	300	15½	15	15	15¼
Do pfd	400	62¾	62	62	63
Ann Arbor pfd	100	42¾	42¾	43¾	
Am. Ice	400	43¾	43	43	
Brklyn. Rapid T	54,400	69¼	67¾	68¾	69¾
Brunswick	100	11¼	11	11	
B. & O	11,300	43	41½	42¾	42¾
Do pfd	3,000	79¾	78¾	79¼	78¾
Brklyn. Un. Gas	100	145	145	145	
B. R. & P pfd	200	96¼	96¼	96¾	97¼
Capital Tr	300	91¾	91¾	91¾	
C. & A	200	96	96	96	95½
C. B. & Q	8,800	122¾	121¾	122¾	122¾
C. & E. I	100	100	100	100	
C. M. & St. P	17,700	121¾	120¾	121¾	121¾
C. R. I. & P	3,231	107½	106½	106⅞	107
Can. Southern	100	48¾	48¾	48¾	48¾
Ches. & Ohio	2,100	41¾	41¼	41¾	41¾
Cent. R. R. N. J	200	117¾	117	117¾	117¾
Chi. Gt. West	1,700	15¾	15¾	15¾	15¾
Con. Gas N. Y.	3,000	185	180	181	185¾
Chicago Term	300	11	11	11	
Do pfd	100	35¼	35¼	35¼	
Col. & Southern	300	58	58	58	58½
Do 2d pfd	200	84	84	84	84¼
Col. Fuel & Iron	2,100	76½	76	76½	76¾
C. C. & I	4,800	21⅝	19¾	21¼	20
Cin. Southern	100	58	58	58	
Cin. Gas & Elec.	100	51	51	51	
Chi. Great West.	700	13¾	13⅜	13¾	13½
Do pfd A	200	39¾	38⅝	39¾	
Do pfd B	100	21	21	21	
Cont. Tobacco	4,500	31	29	30⅜	31½
Do pfd	200	84	84	84	84¼
C. Ind. & W	200	14¼	14¼	14¼	14¼
Do pfd	200	58½	58½	58½	58
Cml. Mid. pfd	500	27	26¾	26¾	26¾
D., L. & W	400	185	183	185	180½
Del. & Hudson	200	116¼	116	116¾	116¾
Den. & R. G. pfd	200	71¾	71¾	71¾	
Detroit Gas	200	94	94	94½	
D., S. S. & A	200	5½	5½	5½	5½
Do pfd	1,400	15½	15½	15½	15½
E. R. I. & P	200	37¾	37¼	37¾	38½
Erie 1st pfd	300	37¾	37¼	37¾	37¾
Do 2d pfd	200	27¾	27¾	27¾	27¾
Federal Steel	7,100	73½	72	73	74
Do pfd	7,100	73¾	73	73¾	74
General Electric	200	125¾	125¾	126	
Glucose	300	51	50½	51	51½
Gt. Northn. pfd	300	156½	156	156½	
Hocking Valley	100	33⅝	33⅝	33⅝	
Do pfd	1,100	62¾	62¼	62⅝	63
Internat. Silver	200	8¼	8	8¼	
Ill. Central	100	113	113	113	
Iowa Central	400	14½	13¾	14¼	
Do pfd	50	50	50	50	50
Internat'l Paper	200	22½	22	22½	
Do pfd	300	67¾	67¾	67¾	67¾
Louis. & Nash	2,700	81¾	80⅝	81⅜	81¾
L. E. & W	1,200	21¼	21¼	21¼	
M., St. P. & S. S. M. pf	100	51¼	51¼	51¼	52
Manhattan	17,700	96	95¾	95¾	96
Mex. Cent. ltd	200	32¼	32¼	32¼	
Met. St. Ry	10,300	174	168½	170	174
Mex. Cent. (ltd.)	1,100	11¾	11¼	11¾	11¾
Missouri Pac	3,500	45¾	44⅝	45¼	45¾
Mex. National	300	9	9	9	9
N. Y. Central	4,200	132¾	131¾	132¼	132¾
Northern Pac	4,200	52¾	52⅜	52¾	52⅝
Do pfd	700	74¼	74¼	74¼	
National Steel	5,100	47¼	45¾	46¾	46¾
Do pfd	100	95	95	95	96
N. Y. Central	3,600	133	130⅜	132	132½
Norfolk & W	2,200	33¼	31⅝	32¾	33¼
Do pfd	3,600	75¼	74¼	75	74½
North Am. Co	1,400	14¼	14¼	14¼	14¼
N. Y. Ont. & W	4,900	24¼	24	24	24
National Lead	400	24¼	24¼	24	
N. Y. & N. E. Ltd	100	52	52	52	
People's Gas	15,700	66¾	64¾	65¾	66¼
Penn. R. R	6,900	135	133½	134¾	133¾
Pac. Mail	1,400	39¼	39¼	39¾	39¾
Pressed St. Car	300	54¾	54¼	54¾	54¾
Do pfd	10	87	87	87	87
Pullman Co	100	184	184	184	
Reading	100	18½	18⅜	18⅜	18½
Do 1st pfd	12,000	59⅝	58½	59	59⅜
Do 2d pfd	3,400	50¾	50	50	50⅜
Rio G. Western	200	50	50	50	50
Do pfd	200	90¾	90¾	90¾	90
Republic Steel	2,200	23¾	23	23¾	23
Do pfd	300	67¾	67¼	67¾	
Southern Pac	4,000	42¾	42⅜	42¾	42¾
Southern Ry	7,000	12¾	12¼	12¾	12¾
Do pfd	1,000	38¾	38¼	38¾	38¾
Southern Pacific	3,800	58¾	58¼	58¾	
St. L. & S. F. 2d	100	12	12	12	
Do pfd	1,900	35¼	35¼	35¾	36
St. L. & S. F.	300	10	10	10¾	10¾
Do 2d pfd	300	33⅝	33⅝	33⅝	34½
Texas Pac	300	16½	16	16	16
Third Avenue	52,300	74	68	71	75¾
Twin Cities	1,000	94½	94½	94½	
Tenn. Coal & I	19,400	93¼	87¾	92	93
Union Pacific	12,700	50¼	49¼	49¾	49¾
Do pfd	1,300	76¾	75¾	76¼	76¼
Union Bag & P	1,300	23¾	22¾	23	22¾
Do pfd	600	73¾	73¼	73¾	
U. S. Leather	15,200	10¾	10¼	10¾	10¾
Do pfd	1,900	74	73¼	73¾	74
U. S. Rubber	800	43	43	43¼	
Wheeling & L. E	100	17¾	17¾	17¾	
Do 2d pfd	200	28	27¼	27¾	27¾
Wabash	300	16¾	16	16¾	
Do pfd	100	29¾	29¾	29¾	
Wisconsin Cent	200	18¼	18	18	
Do pfd	100	51	51	51	
Western Union	900	83¼	83¼	83¼	83½
Total sales	367,527 shares.				

EXPRESS STOCKS.

Adams	118	United States	46
American	140	Wells-Fargo	120

GOVERNMENT BONDS.

U. S. 2s, reg	103	U. S. old 4s reg	117
U. S. 3s, reg	110½	U. S. old 4s, coup	117¾
U. S. 3s, coup	110¾	U. S. 5s, reg	115
U. S. new 4s, reg	136½	U. S. 5s, coup	115
U. S. new 4s, coup	136¾	Dis. of Col. 3.65s	118

KEW YORK BOND SALES AND QUOTATIONS

—10 A. M. TO 3 P M.—

6000 Atch gen 4s	97	16000 do ref 4s	97@98¼
do	100¼@¾	5000 M-O Mont div	
192000 do adjmt	81¼@82	2s	108¼
10000 A-W W 1st 4s	98	5000 M-O Mont div	
4000 Ann Spir 4s	93	2s	108¼
3000 Adams Ex 4s	104½	5000 M K-T 1st 4s	97
19000 Ann Arbor 4s	93	9000 M K-T 1st 4s	
do	93¼		97@97¼
5000 B W-W 5s	113¼	7000 M-O gm 4s	86¾@87
5000 B W-W 5s	73¾	5000 M-O 2-B 4s	70
16000 B-O 4s	100¾@¾	10000 N Pac 3s	66@66¼
1000 do 3s	94¾	19000 do prior 4s	103¼@¾
5000 B-O S W 5s	102	10000 do gen 3s	66¼
3000 Can So 2d	109	5000 N Y C 1st	110¾
10000 Cent Ga con		5000 N Y C L S 3½s	97
5s	85¼@86	9000 N Y-H 1st reg	172
5000 Cent Pac 4s	98¾	34000 N-W 4s	95¾@96
2000 C I-L-W 4s	82¾	3000 N Y S-W gm	
2000 C I-L-W 5s	103	5s	94
5000 C R I-P 4s	106¼@¾	5000 O S L con 5s	112¾
24000 Colo So 4s	83@83¼	5000 P-E inc	29
1000 C C C-St L 4s	104@¾	10000 P C Coast 1st	108
15000 C B-Q ill div		7500 Rdg gen 4s	
4½s	104@¾		84¾@85¼
3000 C B W deb	87¼	20000 R G W 4s	97
23000 C-O 4½s	96¾@¾	10000 St P M-M 1st	
10000 C R-A 1st 4s	101¾	con 6s	141@141¼
11000 C G I 4s	92¼	30000 S A-A P 4s	
1000 do 4s	92¼		77¼@77⅝
1000 D S S 4½s	112	5000 St L-I M 5s	110¾
1000 Det Gas 5s	97¾	2000 So Ry 5s	107¾
5000 D M-T 1st	120	2000 St L S W 1st	90
2000 do 4s	84¼	82000 St L S W 2d	
25000 D M-M G 4s	90¾	inc	60¼@¾
10000 Erie con 4s	89¾@¾	28000 So Ry 5s	107¾@¾
19000 E T, V & G 5s	103¾	92000 So P 4s	83¾@¾
3000 E J-L 4s	92¾	1000 T C-I 1st 5s	108
3000 G H-S A M-P		2000 T C-I 1st B 5s	108
4s	101¾	8000 Tex-N O 5s	103¾
4000 H V 4½s	99	2000 U P D 4s	103¾
2000 I-G N 2d 5s	93¾	5000 U S 4s 1907	117½
2000 Ia Cent 1st	113¾	49000 U P 4s	104@¾
1000 Ind 4s	90¾	9000 W Nat 5s	116¾
2000 L E-St L 1st		1000 do 2d	99¾
4½s	97½@98¾	66000 do deb sec B	
10000 L Val Ter 1st	115	5s	39¾@39⅞
5000 L S-M S 3½s	110¾	14000 Wis Cent 4s	90
9000 L S-M S 1917	98¾	3000 W Union col	
15000 do 5s 1920		tr	102¼
	90¼@90¾	2000 do 5s	113
4000 M-St L con 5s	112¾		

CONDITION OF THE TREASURY.

Statement Showing the Available Cash Balance and the Gold Reserve.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 26.—Today's statement of the condition of the Treasury shows: Available cash balance, $296,893,324; gold reserve, $227,747,616.

IN THE BOSTON MONEY MARKET.

General Tendency of Cash and Securities at the Hub.

BOSTON, Mass., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—Stocks were heavy and coppers developed decided weakness. Rio de Janeiro bonds broke 6 points to 114, but was later bid up to 117⅝. A break in Bell Telephone carried the price down 11 points to 310. It later rallied to 323. Call loans, 3¼@4¼ per cent. Time loans, 4@5 per cent. Clearing-house rate, 4 per cent.

	Sales.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Am. Sugar	9,000	110⅝	110⅝	103⅜	103⅝
Do pfd	200	112	112	112	112
Allouez Mining	300	6¾	6¾	6¼	6¼
Arnold Mining	200	5¼	5¼	5¼	5¼
Arcadian Mining	50	16¾	16¾	16¾	16¾
Amal. Copper	250	90	90	90	90
Bell Telephone	450	328	328	320½	321
Boston Elevated	100	120	120	117	117¼
Butte & Bos. Min	600	61	61	59	60
Baltic Mining	200	20¼	20½	20¼	20¼
Bonanza	100	1¼	1¼	1¼	1¼
C., B. & Q	1,500	122	122¾	121¾	122¾
Cal. & H. Mining	10	765	765	765	765
Centennial Mining	250	18	18	17¼	17¼
Cochita	50	11	11	11	11
Erie Telephone	1,200	110	110	114	117
Erie Telephone pfd	400	133	133	132	132
General Electric	100	126	126	120	120
Mohawk	500	14½	14½	14	14
Michigan	50	6	6	6	6
Isle Royal	50	25¼	25¼	25½	25½
Pullman	50	185	185	185	185
Parrott	300	44	44	44	44
Santa Ysabel Min	100	2¼	2¼	2¼	2¼
Santa Fe	300	6	6	6	6
Utah	125	20	20	20	20
Union Pac	100	49¼	49½	49¼	49½
Do pfd	250	76¾	76¾	76¾	76¾
United States Oil	500	18	18½	17¾	18
Westinghouse Elec	50	41¾	41¾	41¾	41¼
Washington	50	1¼	1¼	1¼	1¼
White Knob	500	36	36	31	31

BONDS.

$5000 Atch adj	82	$2000 K C Ft S-M	
6000 C W M 5s	100	6s	106½
2000 Mex 1st inc	25⅜		

IN THE FOREIGN MONEY MARKET.

Tendency of Cash and Securities in London, Paris, and Berlin.

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—The Commercial Advertiser's London financial cablegram says: The volume of business in the markets here today was small, but the tone was firm. There were no war rumors. Tomorrow is Majuba day, and the market looks for decisive action in south Africa then. American securities were heavy in the London, influenced by the weak bank statement on Saturday, but New York, after selling for a short time, turned round, causing a cheerful close. Baltimore and Ohio securities were the favorites. The bank bought £11,000 gold in Scandinavian coin and £7,000 in bars. Half of the large sum due to the bank today was renewed. Bills were weak. Treasury bills to the amount of £2,000,000, all 7-earings, were allotted at the equivalent of £3 7s discount. Silver was hard on Calcutta special demand. Paris check, 25.13⅛; Berlin, 20.50⅝.

LONDON, Feb. 26.—American railway shares opened dull and were weaker in most cases throughout the session. The final tone was steady and the demand light. Spanish 4s, 67⅛. The amount of bullion taken into the Bank of England on balance today was £18,000.

Consols for money, 101⅛; do for the account, 101⅜. Canadian Pacific, 100⅝. Erie, 13; Erie first preferred, 38⅝; Illinois Central, 116; Union Pacific preferred, 74¼. St. Paul common, 124⅜. New York Central, 136; Pennsylvania, 68⅝; Reading, 9⅝; Northern Pacific preferred, 76¼; Atchison, 21⅛; Louisville, 85⅛. Grand Trunk, 5⅝. Anaconda, 9; Rand Mines, 3⅞. Bar silver steady, 27½d per ounce. Money, 2½ per cent. Rate of discount in the open market for short bills, 3¾@3 11-16 per cent. Rate of discount in the open market for three months' bills, 3-11-16@3⅝ per cent.

PARIS, Feb. 26.—Business was quiet on the bourse today. Spanish 4s were weaker on the declining rate of exchange. Rio Tintos were neglected. De Beers and Kaffirs were strong, chiefly on London buying, and notably after the close of regular business on the bourse.

BERLIN, Feb. 26.—The boerse today locals were firm and animated, being stimulated by the favorable coal mine balance sheets. International securities were dull. Canadian Pacific shares were in good demand. American loans were inactive.

The weekly statement of the Imperial Bank of Germany shows the following changes: Cash in hand, increased 16,160,000 marks; treasury notes, increased 600,000 marks; other securities, decreased 3,640,000 marks; notes in circulation, decreased 16,200,000 marks.

IN THE FOREIGN PRODUCE MARKET.

Closing Quotations on Grain, Cotton, and Provisions in Liverpool.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 26.—Grain—Wheat—Spot, No. 1 Northern spring, dull. Corn—Spot, American mixed, new, quiet, 3s 7¾d. Futures steady: May, 3s 7¾d. The imports of wheat into Liverpool last week were 63,100 quarters from Atlantic ports, 12,600 quarters from Pacific ports and 3,600 from other ports. Imports of corn from Atlantic ports last week were 29,000 quarters. Provisions —Pork, prime mess, nominal. Lard, prime Western, in tierces, steady, 30s 3d.

Cotton—Spot, moderate business. Prices: American, fair, 3.64d; good, 3.32d; good middling, 5 3-16d; middling, 5¼d; low middling, 5d; good ordinary, 4 13-16d; ordinary, 4¾d. The sales of the week were 8,000 bales, of which 500 were for speculation and export, and included 7,600 American. Futures opened quiet and closed steady at the following decline: February and March, 5 2-64@5 3-64d, buyers; April and May, 4 60-64@5 1-64d, buyers; May and June, 4 57-64d, sellers; June and July, 4 54-64@4 55-64d, buyers; July and August, 4 52-64@4 53-64d, sellers; August and September, 4 46-64d, buyers; September and October, 4 27-64d, sellers; October and November, 4 7-64d, sellers; November and December, 4 11-64@4 12-64d, buyers.

IN THE LOCAL LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Receipts and Shipments of Cattle, Hogs, and Sheep.

Following is a statement of Chicago receipts and shipments of live stock, the receipts including stock received direct by packers:

	Cattle.	Calves.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Monday, Feb. 26	13,000	100	35,000	15,000
Totals last week	52,068	1,453	206,736	65,363
Previous week	51,046	1,609	214,153	69,074
Cor. week 1899	44,512	1,479	138,256	50,607
Shipments—				
Monday, Feb. 26	4,400		5,500	1,500
Totals last week	10,805	54	38,744	14,351
Previous week	10,251	31	34,796	6,706
Cor. week 1899	15,157	115	33,804	9,234

Today's receipts are estimated at 45,000 cattle, 33,000 hogs, and 17,000 sheep, against 4,813 cattle, 31,749 hogs, and 12,982 sheep a week ago and 3,220 cattle, 42,698 hogs, and 16,022 sheep the corresponding time last year.

Actual receipts of hogs at the Stock-Yards last week, 186,358, which, with 19,378 direct to downtown packers, made 205,736.

There was a boom in the lamb market, the bulk of the supply selling at $7.00@7.25, or about 40c higher than a week ago, and $2.10 higher than a year ago. Dealers are counting on still higher prices.

A. J. Butler, Swift's head hog buyer, has just returned from a trip through the West. He says hogs are coming good at all markets, with prospects of 20,000,000 packed in 1900. Says that if the feeling has anything to do with it, prices will go lower in the near future.

Eleven markets received 77,000 hogs, or 6,000 less than a week ago, 2,000 more than the corresponding Monday a year ago, and 12,000 less than two years ago.

Carloads of live stock received at the Chicago Stock-Yards last week, 3,713, against 5

MARCHERS AT THE RACES.

COOK COUNTY CLUB VISITS THE TRACK AT NEW ORLEANS.

Fails to Accept the Opportunity to Win on a 100 to 1 Shot—Duchess of York Shows the Way Home at Tempting Odds—Handicap Is Won by Strangcost—Kelsey and McAvoy Secure Entries for Chicago Stakes—Rosormonde's Guest Handicap.

New Orleans, La., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—The Cook County Democratic Marching club helped to swell the crowd at the fair grounds this afternoon. After the arrival of Rex the carnival visitors filled every corner of the grand stand and overflowed into the lawn in front and to the infield.

The afternoon was perfect and like a mid-summer day in the North, and the track was at its best. The fields of horses, however, were large and the Chicago visitors found picking winners precarious. But two of the first choices won during the afternoon. Duchess of York, a 100 to 1 chance, caught the Judge's eye in front in the last race, a six and a half furlong dash for beaten horses, and if any of the Cook County delegation had a bet down on the Duchess he failed to make the fact known.

A handicap at a mile and a quarter was the feature event on the card, and six started. Donna Rita and Barataria divided favoritism, and the former looked like a winner at the sixteenth pole, but Strangest, against whom 12 to 1 could be had, came up with a rush near the end and got the purse by nearly two lengths.

New Orleans Summaries, Feb. 26.

Weather clear, track good.

First race, ¾ mile, purse $250, 3-year-olds, selling:

Bet.	Horse, weight, jockey.	St.	¼	½	Str.	Fn.
6-1	Lady Wade, 106 [Michaels]	1	1½	1½	1½	1nk
6-1	Impromptu, 113 [Jenkins]	3	2½	3½	3nk	2½
11-5	Right Bower, 110 [Frost]	4	2h	3½	3nk	3½
40-1	Bat Chance, 115 [J. Miller]	2	4½	2h	2½	4½

Time, 1:23½. Prince Real, Misericordia, Sorrel Rose, and Sadie Burnam finished as named. Winner, br. f., by Chevrefer—Vim. Start good. Won in a hard drive. Right Bower would have won in another stride.

Second race, ¾ mile, purse $250:

Bet.	Horse, weight, jockey.	St.	¼	½	Str.	Fn.
1-3	S. Chris'r, 102½ [Mitchell]	1	1½	1½	1½	1nk
6-1	Cherry H'd, 96 [A. Weber]	2	2½	5½	3nk	2½
12-1	Acuna, 90 [E. Wilson]	5	3½	3½	2½	3½

Time, 1:18. Dr. Walmsley, Tinkler, Cotton Plant, and Coralis finished as named. Winner, br. f., by Pontiac—Calypso. Start fair. Won driving. Cherry Head got off badly and was closing fast.

Third race, 1 1-16 miles, purse $250, selling:

Bet.	Horse, weight, jockey.	St.	¼	½	Str.	Fn.
2-1	Koenig, 104 [Boland]	3	1½	1½	1½	2½
3-1	Loyalty, 103 [Jones]	2	2½	2½	2½	2½
2-1	Kirwood, 100 [McJoynt]	4	4½	4½	3nk	3½

Time, 1:49½. Sequent, Goose Liver, Admetus, Miss Lead, Thiler, Shinfane, and Governor McKay finished as named. Winner, br. g., by Henry finished as named. Winner, br. g., by Lucullus—Gillian. Start good. Won easily. Goose Liver did well for five furlongs.

Fourth race, 1¼ miles, purse $100, handicap:

Bet.	Horse, weight, jockey.	St.	¼	½	Str.	Fn.
12-1	Strangest, 94 [Talley]	1	1½	1½	1½	1½
3-1	Donna Rita, 103 [Mitchell]	6	2h	2½	2h	2nk
3-1	Barataria, 113 [Boland]	5	6½	5½	3½	3½

Time, 2:08. Lady of the West, Biltheful, and Transmigration finished as named. Winner, b. g., by Knight of Ellerslee—Dearest. Start good. Won handily.

Fifth race, 1 mile, purse $250, selling:

Bet.	Horse, weight, jockey.	St.	¼	½	Str.	Fn.
7-1	Nekarnis, 111 [Clawson]	3	3½	3½	4½	2½
4-1	Agitator, 106 [Jones]	2	1½	1½	2½	3½
10-1	Racebud, 106 [Talley]	1	2½	2½	1½	3½

Time, 1:41. Free Lady, Miss Ross, Lillian Grebb, Banner, Sprayboard, Quantas Pacha, Tuba Dam, and Field Stella, finished as named. Winner, ch. g., by Fuego—Flower Dellis. At post ten minutes. Start fair. Won easily. Free Lady led in the last eighth. Vandusen, on Rush Fields, was kicked while at the post.

Sixth race, six furlongs, purse $250:

Bet.	Horse, weight, jockey.	St.	¼	½	Str.	Fn.
10-1	Duch. York, 106 [Hothers'l]	2	3½	2h	2½	1½
10-1	Whitfield, 106 [Mahfood]	1	1½	1½	1½	2½
12-1	Dan'r Green, 104 [L. Jac'n]	4	4½	4½	3½	3½

Time, 1:22½. Thuries, Brown Vail, Miss Lyman, Kit, Viva Wilson, Goodshaw, Gallant Scots, Samivel, and Lemoon finished as named. Winner, b. f., by Duke of Monrose—Sallie Howard. Start fair. Won easily. Duchess of York and driving hard. Miss Lynah was as good as left. Brown Vail made up a lot of ground.

ROSORMONDE'S GUEST HANDICAP.

Forte	102	Tarbill	100
Dr. Bernays	102	Bathos	97
Rosormonde	116	Constantine	95
Rosinante	103	Roundlee	95
Morinel	103	Norford	90
Monrovia	93	Limerick	90
Uarda	103	Princess Zelka	90
Allelujah	91	My Gypsy	83
Sam McKeever	110		

Ted Sloan Goes to New York.

Jockey Tod Sloan left for New York yesterday afternoon.

CHOYNSKI RETURNS TO CHICAGO.

Pugilist Reaffirms His Statements of O'Rourke's Unfairness.

Joe Choynski returned from New York last night. Regarding his defeat by Joe Walcott he said: "I was beaten, and have only myself to blame for going on in the condition I was in. I did not desire to go on with the match, and so notified Considine, but he was so urgent I finally consented to go. On my arrival at New York I was examined by a physician, a friend of Considine, who said I was not in a fit condition to fight. In the presence of Jim Corbett, Bob Smith, and Frank Erne, at the clubhouse, I made a statement that I did not wish to go on with the contest. The managers said it was impossible to get a substitute, and offered me 75 per cent of the receipts, which I finally consented to accept, making the proviso that all bets should be declared off. This latter part of the agreement was not lived up to by the club, and its action in this regard is undoubtedly unfair to both myself and friends. I entered the ring feeling I had no chance to win, and had made up my mind to stop as soon as I was damaged. Walcott, who was coached by O'Rourke, made a blow for my rib at the start. I drew away and received a right on the chin, after which I remember but little, and was surprised when my seconds told me I had been fighting seven rounds. O'Rourke had considerable money to bet at 5 to 1, and he no doubt rounds himself square with me."

Choynski was met at the depot by his wife and a party of friends. He bears a discolored eye, and through two thicknesses of shirt can be felt the fracture in his rib.

New York, Feb. 26.—[Special.]—"Choynski knew he was not telling the truth when he gave the interview," said Tom O'Rourke today. "The only request he made was that he be given 75 per cent of the purse, win or lose. Considine told me about it, and I advised him to accede to the demand, rather than be guilty of bad faith. As it turned out, the Broadway Athletic club had to pay out 25 per cent more money than it agreed to. Now, I will bet Choynski $500 that his rib was not broken when he entered the ring Friday night, and that Walcott did not break it. That rib was fractured by Sharkey, and was badly set. It may have been sore, but no complaint was made. In fact, Considine received a letter from Choynski a few days before the fight, in which he said he was in good trim, and knew Walcott would prove the softest sort of snap.

"In order that there may be no doubt as to the decisiveness of Walcott's victory, I will bet $5,000 he can lick Choynski anywhere and under any conditions. However, I will bet $5,000 or any other sum agreeable to the acception of the challenge, that the negro can whip any man in the world, barring the other members of my stable."

SQUABBLING OVER THE WEIGHTS.

Ryan Refuses to Allow Root to Scale 162 Pounds.

Hot Springs, Ark., Feb 26.—[Special.]—Tommy Ryan was recently asked by wire from Chicago to permit Jack Root to weigh in at 158 pounds six hours before the proposed battle instead of at the ringside. Ryan conceded the point, but now Houseman wants Ryan to permit Root to weigh 162 pounds at 8 o'clock on the day of the battle. This Ryan will not concede, as he will enter the ring at 151 pounds. Today Dan A. Stuart and Ryan each deposited $1,000 with Leo Mayer of the Southern club as a forfeit for a wager of $3,500 to $5,000 on the result of the match. The money will remain up until May 3, and if a match is arranged before that time the balance of the wager money is placed with Mayer previous to the date of the contest. The battle, Ryan insists, must be for at least twenty rounds before the club offering the best inducement.

CHICAGO BOXER WINS IN LONDON.

Tommy Hogan Defeats Bill Chester in Eight Rounds.

LONDON, Feb. 26.—At the National Sporting club, London, this evening, Tommy Hogan of Chicago beat Bill Chester of London in a fifteen-round boxing contest for the 128-pound championship of England. Both men appeared in excellent condition, and they were fairly matched. At the opening of the eighth round Hogan got his right heavily on the jaw of Chester, who fell dazed and failed to rise to time. Jewey Cook of London beat Young Barry of Philadelphia easily in the fourth round.

Jack Bonner Arrives Today.

Matchmaker Summerfield of the Fort Dearborn Athletic club yesterday received a wire from Jack Bonner saying he would arrive in Chicago this evening from Summit Hill, Pa., where he has been for the last three weeks. Bonner comes to fight Frank Childs six rounds next Friday night at the Star Theater. Childs is getting into condition at Benton Harbor, Mich. Childs and Bonner fought one of the fastest heavyweight bouts ever seen in this city last spring at the same club. They punched away like a couple of bantams through every one of the six rounds, and at the finish both were completely fagged out. Knockdowns were scored on each side, and the fight was probably the hardest ever seen at the North Side club. Four preliminaries are on the card. Jim Driscoll and Jack Beausholte, who have met twice before, the bouts ending in a win apiece, will box six. Jack Ferns, who has been on Mike Bartley, Jack Robinson and Harry Rodde, lightweights, and Kid Carter and Kid Abel, featherweights, will meet.

Tattersall's Bouts March 17.

Two matches were made yesterday by the management of the Tattersall's show on March 17. On that occasion, it is expected, Tom Sharkey will appear, as he has signed to come and fight any one of the heavyweights who may be selected for him. The matches made yesterday were both in the featherweight division. Jack Madden signed articles with Morris Rauch calling for a six-round fight at 118 pounds at 8 o'clock, the same conditions that prevailed in Madden's fight with "Tipton Slasher" Martin. The latter and the "Slasher" have come to terms and will go on the same night for a six-round fight. This will be at catch-weights, the "Slasher" declining to make anything better than 121 pounds at the ringside.

Sharkey to Cover Fitzsimmons' Forfeit

New York, Feb. 26.—Tom Sharkey announced today that he would cover Robert Fitzsimmons' forfeit of $5,000 on Monday. Sharkey's manager would like to have the contest decided at Coney Island, but if any other club offers more money he will gladly accept its bid. Sharkey is out with a statement that if he cannot arrange a match with Fitzsimmons or Jeffries he will retire from the ring. The sailor says he will not fight McCoy again, all statements of his manager to the contrary notwithstanding.

Kelly and Rice Fight a Draw.

New York, Feb. 26.—Sammy Kelly of New York and Eddie Lenny of Philadelphia were to have met at the Hercules Athletic club tonight, but Lenny's place was filled by Austin Rice. The battle lasted the limit, and was declared a draw.

Gripman Rooney Wins a Match.

Mankato, Minn., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—In a wrestling match here tonight between John J. Rooney of Chicago and Robert Faulkner of Ontario, Canada, Faulkner was thrown three times out of five.

Notes of the Fighters.

South Bend, Ind., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—Clyde Boyd of this city, who recently fought "Kid" Patt of Chicago to a ten round draw, was knocked out in the second round last night by "Patt" Kennally of South Bend.

Youngstown, O., Feb. 26.—The twenty-round glove contest between Peter Maher and "Stocklings" Conroy has been postponed to March 9. The Youngstown athletic club has failed to secure a man to take Maher's place, and his request for a postponement on account of an injury to his hand was accordingly granted.

ADMIT NEW CYCLIST ASSOCIATION.

Meeting of the International Cyclists' Association in Paris.

PARIS, Feb. 26.—The congress of the International Cyclists' association concluded its deliberations today after several stormy sessions. The question of the retirement of the League of American Wheelmen from the association and the admission of the National Cycling association in its place furnished the subject for warm discussions. The session was secret, but it transpires that President Blaurock of the National Cycling association was heard in support of the request to enter the International Cyclists' association as a body governing amateur and professional racing in America.

The fact that Mr. Ocker, the delegate of the League of American Wheelmen, was allowed to be present at the discussions and to vote, although the League of American Wheelmen resigned its membership, provoked protests from the partisans of the National Cycling association, especially as the congress decided not to admit the latter until official notice had been received that the League of American Wheelmen had withdrawn from the association. A cablegram of inquiry was subsequently sent to the League of American Wheelmen, which replied, confirming its withdrawal.

The British delegate and the secretary of the congress, Sturmey, then moved that the League of American Wheelmen, although no longer governing American racing, should preserve affiliation with the International Cyclists' association, and that American racing men be placed in the same category as Germans.

The motions were rejected, and the congress voted the admission of the National Cycling association as the successor to the League of American Wheelmen. As a consequence of the definite settlement of the American conflict the congress granted full amnesty to all racing men who had been penalized by either rival association.

The second important question before the congress was the proposal to limit the number of delegates from each country to two. The British delegates hotly opposed this, because, they declared, it would curtail their influence in the association, as at present England, Ireland, and Scotland are each represented by two delegates. The upshot of the discussion was that Secretary Sturmey and the other British representatives left the meeting in a huff, declaring that the proposal would wreck the association. The congress then voted to censure Sturmey, but on motion of the President it was decided to adjourn action on the main proposal until the next assembly.

Weldon's Condition Improving.

Cincinnati, O., Feb. 26.—Harry M. Weldon, the sporting editor of the Enquirer, for who was stricken with paralysis on Sunday morning, passed a comfortable day.

HE WILL STAND BY HART.

SODEN OF BOSTON REPLIES TO PRESIDENT JOHNSON'S ASSERTIONS.

Declares the American League Cannot Place a Club in Chicago Without the Consent of the Local League Officials—Brush Says Much the Same—Hart Has Little to Say—Lange's Contract Is Returned Unsigned—Ten-Club Circuit Likely.

Boston, Mass., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—President Soden of the Boston club is quoted by President Johnson as being in favor of a second club in Chicago. Questioned on the subject today the Boston magnate said: "About two months ago President Johnson informed me that Hart's consent could be obtained to place a second club in Chicago, and after hearing Johnson's argument I said Boston was willing to waive any objection it had in the matter. In fact it was up to President Hart, as far as Boston was concerned. At the Cleveland meeting Johnson came out more strongly and said Hart had consented, and again I informed Johnson, as I believe did Brush and Rogers, that I saw no reason for objecting to the second club in Chicago providing Mr. Hart's consent was obtained." President Soden says the league surely would stick by any member and that a second club could not locate in a league city without the full consent of the National league, including the club interested. President Soden is not anxious that a new organization should get a foothold in Chicago. Once there the next move might be a struggle for other cities, until the league would have a hard fight on its hands.

It is thought here that the Western men may try for Washington and Baltimore, thus avoiding a war with the big league. It is pointed out that a move of this kind would without doubt win over most of the league magnates.

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 26.—[Special.—President Brush of the Cincinnati club does not regard the reported threat of the American league magnates seriously. He said today: "I cannot think the American league will invade Chicago territory in violation of the National agreement when I consider that men like Manning, Comiskey, and Watkins are connected with the organization. All the experience of many years that posses any value goes to prove that the only condition under which clubs and leagues can continue successfully is where there is some agreement under which all can operate and which guarantees protection to every interest. Most of the disasters in baseball have arisen from trying to navigate without some such chart as the National agreement. No one knows this better than some of the gentlemen connected with the American league, and for this reason I am not looking for any violation of the agreement."

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—Regarding the statement of President Johnson that the American league would put a team in Chicago even without the consent of the National league club there, Colonel Rogers today said he knew little of the details of the affair. He said the matter had been spoken about at Cleveland, when, during a lull in the meeting, he referred to Colonel Hart's desire to transfer his team to Chicago. Mr. Hart, however, stated positively that he would not give his consent to any such plan unless the association would first contribute to something, and then only with the idea of still further blocking the proposed organization.

HART EXPECTS TEN-CLUB CIRCUIT.

Little to Say of the American League Threat—Lange Declines to Sign.

President Hart yesterday had no hostile reply to make to the announcement by the American league that the latter intended to place a club in Chicago, national agreement or no national agreement.

"This is a free country," observed the ruler of the Chicago league club, "and the American league has a right to put a club in Chicago if it wants to do so. Nobody disputes that."

And then, after a pause, Mr. Hart added: "But it can't do it under the national agreement."

Asked concerning President Johnson's assertion that he had consented to the change of the National league and had found that a majority of them favored an American league club here, Mr. Hart said: "I have my own idea as to whether he has done that, but I will not express it."

Yesterday's mail brought to the unsigned contract of W. A. Lange. It had been returned by the big outfielder with a note explaining that the terms were not satisfactory, if he should decide to return to baseball at all, and that he was not yet definitely decided what to do.

Mr. Hart expects to see a ten-club circuit, and yesterday remarked to Manager Frek Clarke, who was a visitor in the office, that he was glad the Pittsburg club is to remain during the season at the park with only ten clubs there would be plenty of idle dates, and this would enable Chicago to get more Sunday games at home with other Western teams.

Both Hart and Clarke deny the story that the Pittsburg club is trying to secure Fred Clarke. Everitt Hart thinks well of the Chicago first baseman, and considers Tenney to be the only superior of Chicago's players.

No word has been received from Manager Loftus since the latter went South to secure training grounds.

Peter Fraser was a visitor at the local league office yesterday. He goes to Hot Springs tomorrow.

Brooklyn Players Sign.

New York, Feb. 26.—Captain Joe Kelly, Tom Daly, and John Anderson are the latest of the Brooklyn players to sign contracts. They signed today. Earl Wagner of Washington has expressed a desire to secure Kelly's services to manage and Canada the Senators. It is doubtful whether Hanlon will set a price for Kelly's release. The list of players now under contract to the Brooklyn club comprises Kelly, Anderson, Casey, Dahlen, Daly, Hill, Donovan, Kennedy, James, Steelman, and Yaeger.

President Johnson in Detroit.

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—President Ban Johnson spent the day here trying to straighten out the legal tangle connected with the Detroit club. He did not succeed, but will try again tomorrow.

NORTHWESTERN WINS THE MEET.

Defeats Evanston Y. M. C. A. in Indoor Track Contests.

Northwestern track team easily defeated the Evanston Y. M. C. A. team last night at the Evanston Y. M. C. A. gymnasium by the score of 63 points to 27. Sturgeon broke the record for the Evanston Y. M. C. A. track by one second. The mile run was hotly contested, Morris winning by less than a yard.

Summaries

Twenty-yard dash—Johnson, Northwestern, won; Greenman, association, second; Brown, Northwestern, third. Time, 2 4-5 seconds.

100-yard dash—Preston, Northwestern, won; Johnson, Northwestern, second; Scheiner, Northwestern, third. Time, 12 seconds.

220-yard—Preston, Northwestern, won; Cutler, association, second; Schiener, Northwestern, third. Time, 27 1-5 seconds.

440-yard—Harger, ——, Northwestern, won; Cutler, association, second; Baker, Northwestern, third. Time, 60 4-5 seconds.

Half-mile run—Sturgeon, Northwestern, won; Stevens, of Northwestern, second; Smiley, Northwestern, third. Time, 2:24.

Mile run—Morris, Northwestern, won; Brown, association, second; Nichols, association, third. Time, 5:09 4-5.

Pole vault—Kincaid, Northwestern, won; Hunter, Northwestern, second; Bucnan, association, third. Height, 9 feet.

High jump—Coffman, Northwestern, and George, Northwestern, tied; Adams, Association, third. Height, 5 feet 2 inches.

Running broad jump—Elliott, Northwestern, won; White, Northwestern, second; Smith, association, third. Distance, 19 feet 6 inches.

Shot put—Elliott, Northwestern, won; Elliott, Northwestern, second; Dean, association, third. Distance, 37 feet 11 inches.

McConville May Coach St. John.

Madison, Wis., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—There is quite a possibility of C. C. McConville, who coached the crack Wisconsin eight last year, accepting the position of coach at St. John Military Academy this spring. The Delafield School is anxious to secure his services. McConville has just recovered from a long illness. In case he accepts, the St. John crew, beside rowing the university freshmen, will take a trip East.

Notre Dame Loses an Athlete.

South Bend, Ind., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—Mike Connor, Notre Dame's mile runner, has given up his university work and gone to Oil City, Pa. A few weeks ago Connor's brother, who holds the two-mile record, also left college. Failure to keep up in classes is said to be the cause for the crack athletes leaving.

Princeton Gets Yale Trainer.

New Haven, Conn., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—The first college trainer to earn a contract for the season of 1900 is Jim Robinson, now in charge of the Yale track and football teams. He has agreed to go to Princeton to handle the Tigers on the gridiron next fall.

OAKLANDS BEAT THE ALL STARS.

First Defeat of the Tourists on Chicago Alleys.

To the Oakland club fell the honor of being the first of the local teams to capture a series from the All Star aggregation. Last night at the Drexel Alleys, Thirty-ninth street and Cottage Grove avenue, the South-Siders defeated the visitors in the second game by forty-two pins, and then won the third by seventy-five pins. The last was a notable victory, as the local players, headed by Fienner, with the fine total of 906, went twenty-six pins over the four-hundred mark. Against such fine work the visitors could hardly expect to win, although they scored 951 pins.

Scores:				All Stars.	1	2	3.
Oakland.	1.	2.	3.	Kump'er	178	179	178
Fienner	191	200	246	Criss	179	176	178
Osborne	154	142	193	Reed	168	170	213
Day	144	180	225	Kern	180	179	191
Johnston	183	186	166	Worden	213	183	191
Conklyn	156	168	167				
Totals	805	879	1026	Totals	918	837	951

In the afternoon the All Stars defeated a team known as the Drexel Stars by margins of 141, 216, and sixty-one. The All Stars were in good form, scoring 1,025 pins in their second game and averaging 925 1-3 for the series. Kenna, the Chicago representative, led the averages with 207.

Miss Rose Murray of Toledo rolled three games with W. V. Thompson, losing the first two and winning the last. The scores:

Miss Murray	109	130	174
W. V. Thompson	141	192	159

The Lincoln Cyclists captured two out of three games from the Phoenix team in the Chicago league. Results:

Lincoln C.C.	1.	2.	3.	Phoenix.	1.	2.	3.
Kiene	170	191	159	Wass	161	140	166
Altman	194	169	149	Eddy	179	185	167
Winship	179	160	180	Ruther	168	188	157
Stretch	190	187	207	Bender	180	205	157
Canfield	196	171	181	Cresswell	183	188	193
Totals	929	828	881	Totals	875	906	840

In the Southwest league the Rivals won two games from the Amphions. Scores:

Rivals.	1.	2.	3.	Amphions.	1.	2.	3.
Miller	188	157	181	Bender	154	148	161
Dernbach	165	167	141	G. Long	168	141	156
Krietens'n	154	156	195	Harding	190	170	155
Ekhart	179	180	185	Frink	189	127	178
Schurke	156	148	201	Hoskins	151	158	198
Totals	842	808	883	Totals	874	740	848

In the Northwest league the Wicker Parks won two games. Results:

W. Park.	1.	2.	3.	Olympia.	1.	2.	3.
A. Frant'n	162	167	189	Schalm	152	141	157
D. B. Olson	170	188	244	Barring	167	150	169
Geiss	157	137	157	S. Hoelst	149	181	178
Zimmer'n	167	142	177	W. Hoelst	179	177	148
A. Frant'n	171	188	163	Johnson	211	144	150
Totals	827	822	913	Totals	828	791	886

The Blue Lights defeated Kelly's Indians by 151 on Shatwan's alleys. Patterson rolled high average, 169.

DR. PARKER WINS THE FIRST GAME.

Defeats Bingham in the Handicap Billiard Tournament.

Chicago's best amateur billiard players, with the exception of Clem Ellison, are entered in the tournament which began last night at Mussey's amphitheater under sanction of the Amateur Athletic union. Dr. Harley Parker, well known all over the United States as a professional baseball pitcher a few years ago, has the credit of the first victory in the tournament. He defeated his opponent, B. S. Bingham, by a score of 200 to 178. It is a handicap tournament, and Bingham, who is "low man" in the list of competitors, was to make 200 points.

For twenty-three innings Bingham led, having secured an encouraging run of twenty-two in his second inning. Then Parker passed him. In his thirty-fifth inning, however, Bingham ran twenty-one, placing him within one of his rival, and following up with a run of seventy-six, which again placed him in front. But in his forty-first inning Parker practically won the game by a fine cluster of thirty-eight, which made the score 180 to 162 in his favor. Two innings later the baseball man added a run of twenty-seven, and in his forty-seventh inning he run out the game.

Bingham is a newcomer in billiard tournaments and is regarded as a promising player.

Scores:

Parker (225)—	0,	5,	2,	1,	1,	0,	3,	13,	2,	0,	12,	0,	0,	2,	19,	2,	0,	2,	1,	16,	5,	0,
0,	0,	0,	2,	1,	16,	5,	0,	0,	0,	1,	0,	0,	0,	0,	0,	0,	0,	0,	0,	0,	0,	0,
10,	0,	0,	0,	0,	0,	38,	0,	27,	0,	0,	5,	0,	0,	Total, 225.								
Average, 4 37-47. High run, 38.																						
Bingham, (200)—	1,	22,	0,	7,	0,	0,	0,	0,	0,	0,	2,	1,	6,	5,	0,	0,	16,	0,	7,	3,	13,	0,
0,	0,	0,	0,	0,	0,	0,	0,	0,	0,	0,	2,	0,	0,	0,	0,	21,	12,	0,	7,	0,	0,	0,
2,	0,	0,	0,	0,	0,	0,	0,	0,	0,	10,	Total, 178.											
Average, 3 37-47. High run, 22.																						

The game tonight will be between McGinnis and Nolan.

George Harris gave C. F. Conklin a surprise last night in the challenge contest for the Clarke medal at Clarke's Dime Side room. Harris won to play 140 to Conklin's 200. The final score was: Harris, 140; Conklin, 138. Harris running out the game in twenty-four innings, making an average of six.

Vardon and Partner Win.

Miami, Fla., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—Harry Vardon led the "pros" a hot chase over the links of the East Coast club here today by keeping ahead of Low, Smith, and Findlay in a four-ball match, Vardon and Low for a partner scoring seventy-six, and six to play at the end of 18 holes. Low played a strong game, his approaches being perfect, but he was beat fortunately on the greens. Alexander Findlay was not playing up to his usual game.

General Sporting Notes.

Albion, Mich., Feb. 26.—[Special.]—Basket ball—Albion College, 61; Hillsdale College, 7.

St. Alexander's athletes Sunday night a team of five men totaled 2,062: Lange, 399; Laudon, 397; Schenck, 402; Fehrman, 209; Linehart, 209; Root, 395.

Milwaukee, Wis., Feb. 26.—H. L. Marshall, Chief Consul of the Wisconsin Division, League of American Wheelmen, has resigned his office. Via Paris, Roger B. Champagne of Merrill has taken up the work.

NEWS OF THE COURTS.

Superior and Circuit Court Judgments

Judge Kavanagh—194249—Susan Keith et al., exrs., vs. Edson Keith, dec'd.; vs. Moses A. Thayer; on ver., $6,940.84. Appl.

Judge Gary—203838—Edw. Browne vs. Chas. Mitchell et al.; Chas. Bailey; on findg., $748.33; dis. as to Frank W. Williams.

Judge Ball—201142—Frank Foege vs. Chas. Haas; on ver., $500. Appl.

Judge Gary—200—Jos. Snyder, admr., vs. C. U. Tel. Co.; on ver., $300; sat.—204753—Jonesboro Thurbal vs. City; on findg., $500.—180351—Margaret Closky vs. City; same, $500.—180352—Patrick Carpenter vs. City; same, $400.—190016—Edw. F. Parkiner vs. City; same, $400.

Judge Waldo—202699—John Peterson vs. John K. F. Biever; on ver., $228.—203614—Frank Schoenfeld vs. Same; on ver., $735.

Judge Stough—192140—Jacob Brody vs. John G. Garibaldi and Frank Cuneo; on ver., $311.50; sat.

Judge Ball—200—Jos. Beilinski; on ver., $68.22.—180407—H. J. Stoddard, admr., vs. Jas. H. Burke and J. S. Cooper; on findg., $87.50; dis. as to Cooper.

Judge Bishop—185404—Geo. Schur, use Chas. McMenomin, vs. Mrs. Adele Weber; on ver., $25 and $11 costs.—200843—Chas. Graves vs. City; on findg., $550.—200843—E. W. Blatchford vs. Same; Brown Plumbing Co.; on ver., $400.84.—190816—A. Hemmerich vs. Same; on ver., $250.—203698—Helene Borck vs. Josephine A. Caldwell and W. A. B. Caldwell; by deft., $573.66.

Judge Gary—200—Anton Schuler vs. Geo. J. Titus; on findg., $75; sat.—193941—Mary Hoffman vs. City; on findg., $2,100.

Judge Burke—202—Otto Miller vs. Richard Von Hines; on ver., $190.23 wages.—190491—Chas. C. Poole et al., vs. The Ellis Boutwell Co.; on ver., $400.—203564—John Ryan vs. Swift & Co.; on findg., $550.

Judge Neely—190567—Caspar Olson vs. William Stevens; on findg., $100; sat.

Judge De Wolf—County Court—19508—W. C. Abbott vs. E. S. Lloyd; judgt., $32; appl.

Decrees.

Judge Chetlain—203488—Colburn vs. Foley; dec. sale.—3747—C. G. & F. Co. vs. Roby; dec.—3606—Jackson vs. Hughes; dec. sale.—3397—Slade vs. Whitcomb; dec. sale.

Judge Stein—3464—McDonald vs. McDonald; dec. div.—4000—Holt vs. Lockwood; dec. appt. Receiver.—3504—Oak Park B. & L. Ass'n vs. Fogelsang; dec. sale.—3066—Kingman vs. Bridge; dec. dist., etc.—136055—Eddy vs. Sage; d. c. diss. petn., etc., and 202577—Goss vs. Burbank; dec. partn.—2802—Nor. W. Co. vs. Goodkind; dec. sale.—2188—Hutchins vs. Keeler; dec. sale; appl.

Judge Tuley—1070—The Free Home B. L. & H. Ass'n. vs. Hinckey; dec. sale.

Judge Dunne—Unsworthy vs. O'Brien; dec. sale.—3609—Dobson vs. White; dec.—10742—Phillips vs. Rohles; dec. sale.

Judge Clifford—10907—Vowell vs. Vowell; dec. div.

Judge Burke—11242—Thomas vs. Thomas; dec. div.

Petitions in Bankruptcy.

3011—Bennett Jacobson; liabil., $3,200; no assets; Blum & Blum, attys.

3012—Jos. H. Norton; liabil., $2,000; no assets; Andrews & Van Tassell, attys.

3013—David M. Cochrane; liabil., $11,400; no assets; Cochrane, atty.

3014—Thomas M. Evans; liabil., $10,200; no assets; J. R. Philp, atty.

3015—Chas. Koester; liabil., $15,600; no assets; H. M. Shabod, atty.

3016—Preston B. Kadley; liabil., $2,200; no assets; M. Harger, atty.

3017—Bernard Weinstein; liabil., $400; no assets; Sam Zolotkoff, atty.

3018—John J. Sturgeon, Northwestern, won; Stevens, of Northwestern, second; Smiley, Northwestern, third. Time, 2:24.

3019—Petn. of Nathan Frank to have H. N. Heimerdinger decl. bankr.; claims $4,000; same atty.

3020—Conrad E. Schmidt; liabil., $1,800; no assets; Isadore Plotke, atty.

3021—Nicholas L. Shafer; liabil., $6,900; no assets; O. J. O'Keefe, atty.

Court Calls for Today.

Judge Tuley—Chancery trial call—923, 2081, 3740, 7638 on hearing.

Judge Ball—Trial call—3001, 2039, 990, 4494, 4508, 5211, 4836, 4837, 2380 on trial.

Judge Haney—First call—100 cases, 201 to 300. Trial call—3424, 3468, 4463, 4573, 1293, 2060, 11052 on hearing.

Judge Chetlain—Trial call—1556, 155, 183, 2411, 841, 945 on hearing.

Judge Gary—Trial call—7026, 6368, 8023, 1928 on trial.

Judge Bishop—Trial call—19848, 6068, 6049, 6149, 6205, 6211, 6263, 6266, 6267, 6173, 6202, 6203, 6204, 6169, 6170, 5114, 5177, 6178, 5179, 6180, 5202, 4506, 4348, 203694, 2501 on trial.

Judge Tuthill—Submitted at law case—17411. On interplea in attach.—20060. Chancery cases—14005, 7760.

Judge Clifford—Trial call—7714, 7728, 7791, 7859, 7690, 7870, 7252, 8038, 5045, 6702, 8014, 8776, 14979, 15001, 15194, 5266, 15249, 15260, 15271, 15305, 15345, 15393, 15434, 15467.

Judge Smith—6713 on trial.

Judge Burke—Trial call, 10620, 6376, 7898, 7977, 9430, 11254, 11255, 1267, 11280, 11311, 11322, 11334, 11339, 11400.

Judge Holdom—At 2:30 p. m. trial call, 9468 on trial, 786, 5758, 5831, 5839, 1654, 5955, 5997, 5859, 2128, 6754.

Judge Gary—No court.

Judge Stough—Trial call 2130, 2136, 2148, 2151, 2233, 2250, 2260, 775, 2424, 2435, 2437, 2438, 2585, 2280, 2135 on trial.

Judge Ball—Trial call 863, 4792, 174700, 9022, 9340, 7034, 9831, 9974.

Judge Stein—Motions of counsel and submitted cases.

Judge Kohlsaat—United States District Court—Admiralty calendar.

Judge Kohlsaat—United States Circuit Court—Motions.

Judge Waterman—Criminal Court, Branch No. 2—Call not extended.

Judge Chytraus—Criminal Court, Branch No. 3—676, 930, 968, 1074, 1134, 1143, 74, 1201, 1202, 1203, 1204, 1205, 1206, 1207, 1208, 1209, 1210, 1211, 1212, 1213, 1214, 1215, 1216, 1217, 1218, 1219, 1220, 1221, 1222,

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

THE COUNTY CLERK ISSUED PERMITS TO wed to the following couples yesterday, the parties living in Chicago where no place of residence is given:

	Age.
Christ Schmidt, Mathilda Urban	22—21
George T. Robinson, Myrtle L. Eck	42—29
Jakub Prepejchal, Mrs. Antonjie Lusk	42—39
Irving R. Scott, Portland, Ore., Mary A. McChesney	32—23
William Buhiman, Lizzie O'Reilly	29—30
John B. Dowdle, Hannah Anderson	21—18
Peter Knoth, Ida Zutz	26—23
Edwin C. Randolph, Harriett E. Iles	36—31
Gordon Macdonald, Gretchen S. Gray	21—19
William E. King, Lulu Myers	36—33
Willy Weydt, Hedwig Haspeck	32—30
John W. Wolford, Plymouth, Ind., Mary Thompson	47—33
William Chapman, Margaret Smith	38—35
Michael O'Connor, Howard, Ill., Elizabeth Young	21—18
E. Robert Johnson, Mary C. Peterson	22—18
Joseph Degenhardt, Minnie Ruchhoeft	36—25
Louis Leowenstein, Mrs. Alice Gaul	47—38
Richard L. Knuble, Anna Bauer	25—19
Alfred E. Smith, Elizabeth Bodell	33—23
Samuel Sonnenberg, Celia H. Freshman	27—19
William R. O'Brien, Theresa O'Brien	29—23
John Collins, Bridget Fenton	26—23
James Harris, Anna Sarrasin	30—26
Wilhelm J. B. Gram, Martha Kramp	30—26
William J. Bechtold, Anna M. Spanuch	28—24
John Kees, Anna M. Klein	26—24
Frank Kavanaugh, Johanna T. Harrington	36—34
Harry D. Weiss, Jessie Cohn	33—33
Giacomino Presta, Angelina Colat	21—20
John E. Murtaugh, Marey T. Sanders	21—18
James Musla, Carpenterville, Ill., Marie Myslyvecek, Algonquin, Ill	28—19
Martin Carlson, Maria J. Erickson	28—19
Henry Stelo, Bertha Kaelper	26—19
Oscar E. Moeller, Mrs. Hattie C. Shapard	33—30
H. J. Bates, New York, Louise Crawford	21—18
Michael Kelly, Chicago, Mary Ann Markey	30—27
Robert T. Bonner, Abbie A. Stone	29—22
Edward A. Hudson, Margaret L. Quirk	29—22
Charles J. Bertz, Mary Williams	30—26
Harry Miller, Adelaine Haurry	22—19
Patrick F. Browne, Bertha A. La Pine	30—26
Phillip Lamm, Rosa Quesly	30—26
Henry J. Naughton, Nellie Barren	25—20
Thomas P. Heelan, Mary T. Keegan	26—20
John Nor, Jennie Marion	35—33
Jacob Levy, Blanche Darmstadter	34—24
George Washington, Millie Janes	40—24
Axel L. Carlson, Florence Olsen	25—22
Soloman H. Siegal, Ida L. Herzog	24—23
William Lee Phelps, Martha E. Briggs	31—26
Edward W. Jones, Christina Frandsen, of Chicago	27—24
Frank E. Gregori, Theresa R. Schmicker	23—22
Fred Dust, Martha Cross	21—20
John Rurke, Anna Keily	25—19
Oscar Van Dyke, Jennie Varnak	30—26
Patrick Malloy, Agnes Nevil	21—18
Leonard Mayer, Christina Mayer	22—20
Patrick J. Redder, Mamie Hartnett	22—20
Moses McD. Snodgrass, Frances M. White	37—33
George Moore, Margie Foreman	24—20
Robert Doran, Katherine Henry	23—23
Joseph Goldsmith, Malvina H. Banz	21—19
Charles J. Chinnock, Grace Smith	30—30
John C. Kendall, Belle Withrow	25—18
Alvis Ueck, Margaret Hanyz	34—34
Beverly S. Rodney, Rebecca Mayo	34—33
William F. Benning, Emma J. Meier	31—28
William H. Taylor, Mamie McDonald	28—18
Ervin J. Bell, Sadie Arry	23—18
Patrick Flynn, Mary Regan	30—24
John A. Phillips, Mrs. Mary Darnell	38—29
Ferd. Krzrkowsky, Mrs. Dora Krumhals	35—35
William R. Dixon, Melvin, Ill., Mrs. Elizabeth Chamberlain	27—25
Michael Koener, Augusta Brunner	29—20
Michael Cusick, Mrs. Olive Nor	29—28
Alex. McPhee, Oelwein, Ia., Mary E. Stillfant, Stratford, Canada	30—25
Alfred Johnson, Hulda Larson	29—25
Frank Richmond, Mamie McCullough	30—21
James N. Smith, Urbana, Ill., Mrs. Mary M. Wilson	60—49
John M. Sullivan, Mrs. Margaret Bartley	33—33
Anderson Cotton, Mrs. Mary Williams	21—23
Frank W. Hall, Helen Manning	27—21
James F. Jansen, Marie A. Saueracker	22—22
Herman C. Hanson, Ida Kaltenbach	27—24
Frank Nesbit, Mary Hlinka	23—24
John Andersen, Sophie Wolf	35—32
John Gibson, Ridgefield, Ill., Adeline Henning	19—18

OFFICIAL DEATH RECORD.

THE FOLLOWING BURIAL PERMITS WERE issued by the Health Department yesterday:

Abbate Concetta, 69; 73 Ewing-st., Feb. 25.
Allen, Edward, 5829 Armour-av., Feb. 25.
Auer, Louisa, 57; 29 Grand-av., Feb. 24.
Barnes, L. P. Jr., 7; 6552 S. State-st., Feb. 23.
Baronio, Henrietta, 8s; 1238 N. Ashland-av., Feb. 25.
Boyer, Emanuel R., 48; 536 61st-st., Feb. 24.
Bendick, Aberlaine, 25; Dayton-st., Feb. 25.
Carson, Dora, 40; 1202 Oak Grove-av., Feb. 24.
Eckstrom, Karen P., 45; 899 Hamilton-ct., Feb. 24.
Eschman, Anna, 35; 3506 S. Morgan-st., Feb. 26.
Foreman, Laura M., 51; 569 51st-st., Feb. 23.
Fritch, William J., 22; 628 N. Lincoln-st., Feb. 24.
Gore, Dr. Frank, 35; 2606 Prairie-av., Feb. 24.
Golonska, Frances, 35; 258 W. Division-st., Feb. 24.
Gleason, John, 95; 17 14th-pl., Feb. 23.
Golden Ellen, 56; 1104 Clybourn-av., Feb. 23.
Gleason, Caroline, 44; 2210 N. Troy-st., Feb. 25.
Garlick, Aaron M., 38; 2210 N. Troy-st., Feb. 24.
Ha.ris, Atthea J., 20; 4138 Lake-av., Feb. 22.
Hines, Carrie O., 60; Cook Co. Hospital, Feb. 20.
Kuederling, Otto, 53; 4714 Justine-st., Feb. 24.
Knight, Margaret, 61; 2023 S. Throop-st., Feb. 24.
Klasek, Anton J., 2; 3039 Wentworth-av., Feb. 25.
Kecelrodt, Elizabeth, 65; 1820 90th-pl., Feb. 23.
Kraft, Ernestina, 80; 561 N. Wood-st., Feb. 24.
Lindgren, Andrew, 71; 146 N. Whipple-st., Feb. 24.
Leonard, Julia M., 30; 6523 Ashland-av., Feb. 24.
Lipke, Bernhard, 38; 501 N. Wood-st., Feb. 26.
Machlowska, Ita, 2; 532 Hamilton-st., Feb. 24.
McNamara, Henry, 6; 30 Edgemont-av., Feb. 25.
McCormack, Michael, 54; 3057 Bonfield-st., Feb. 25.
Peters, Lizzie, 51; 3068 Vincennes-av., Feb. 24.
Passow, Augusta, 57; 929 W. 12th-st., Feb. 25.
Sandler, Abraham, 2; 2690 Union-av., Feb. 24.
Sokalowski, Katie, 19; 734 Noble-st., Feb. 24.
Sheedy, Bridget F., 46; 669 Blue Island-av., Feb. 24.
Smith, Alice D., 35; Bennett Hospital, Feb. 23.
Warren, Jennie S., 43; 2022 Lake-av., Feb. 25.
Zilokowski, Andrew, 52; 665 Morgan-st., Feb. 25.

DEATHS.

HIGGINS—Frances P., wife of Charles Higgins of 375 Ontario-st. Funeral services at St. James' Church, corner Cass and Huron-sts., Tuesday, the 27th, at 1:30 p. m. Friends are requested not to send flowers.

PARKER—David C., beloved husband of Hattie E. Parker, Feb. 25, aged 45 years. Funeral from late residence, 3006 Prairie-av., Wednesday, Feb. 28, at 1 p. m., by carriages to Rosehill. London and Toronto papers please copy.

ROBERTS—Daner A., wife of Wm. H. Roberts, sister of Mrs. M. Stuart and Mrs. Wm. M. Godfrey, aged 39 years. Funeral, Wednesday, 10 a. m. Portland, Me., papers please copy.

SNELL—Henrietta Suydam, widow of Amos Jerome Snell. Services will be held at the family residence, 425 Washington boulevard Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock. Burial private.

SPENCE—On Feb. 25, James Pierre, eldest son of W. K. and Lora Spence, aged 5 years and 8 months. Funeral on Tuesday at 2:30 p. m. from parents' residence, Indiana-av., corner Oakwoods.

STEVENSON—Marion Scott, beloved wife of Robert Stevenson, Feb. 24. Funeral from family residence, 525 La Salle-av., Tuesday, 1:30 p. m. Interment private. Omit flowers.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS FILED FOR RECord Monday, Feb. 26, 1900:

15th-pl., 371 e of California-av., n f, 25x125 Nov. 1, 1899 [Jos. Cermak to Joseph Chana] $ 5,100
8, 51st-av., 32 s of Ontario-st., w f, 50x125, Nov. 7, 1891 [S. A. Tolman to A. T. Hanifin] 1,100
Greenwood-av., 65 n of 66th-st., w f, 16.40x124, Jan. 4 [Samuel Fleck Jr. to Lina Bernhard] *
N. 17th-ct., n s cor Wilson-av., w f, 100x124, Jan. 30 [Coltman S. French to Timothy J. Fell] 1,750
N. 17th-av., 150 s of Wilson-av., w f, 50x124, Jan. 30 [Same to same] 1,000
Dunning-st., 57 e of Surrey-ct., n f, 80x113, Dec. 1899 [Est. of E. F. Hedrick to C. Hedrick] 1,000
Turner-av., 23 s of 16th-st., e f, 25x125, Jan. 26, 1899 [Percy Howard et al., by guardian, to John Jones] 1,000
Ellis-av., 100 s of 51st-st., e f, 25x125, Feb. 10 [Same to same] 500
Stony Island-av., 100 s of Hyde Park-av., e f, 50x125 [Est. of E. F. Hedrick to Chas. H. Hedrick] 1,000
Turner-av., 46 s of 16th-st., e f, 25x125, Feb. 19 [John T. Davis et al., by M. in C., to Walter L. Fisher] 1,000
Hermitage-av., 162 s of 50th-st., e f, 24x124½, Jan. 4 [A. L. Swandosky to F. B. Brom] 11,189
Prairie-av., bet 59th and 61st-sts., w f, 20x124, Jan. 30 [Isaac N. Reed to Ella C. Reed] 2,000
Lowe-av., 250 n of 64th, e f, 25x124, Feb. 19 [John M. Schmitz to Henry Velvert] 1,400
Ada-st., 184 s of 63th, w f, 33 1-3x124, Dec. 1899 [Oscar J. Reese to Edward G. Halm] 1,400
Ave J, n w cor 98th-st., e f, 24x120, revenue $2.50, Feb. 23 [Chas. A. Finley to Nicholas Eich] Feb. 23 [Chas. A. Finley to Nicholas Eich] *
111th-pl., 200 w of State-st., n f, 37½x124, Feb. 21 [John N. Dahm to A. Bonthius] 1
Lafayette-av., 82 n of 120th-st., w f, 25x125, Feb. 24 [F. D. Denamore et al., by Fowler, Bell & Co., to Lewitt, Burridge & Co.] 1,250
Fowler-st., 245 e of Leavitt, s f, 25x76, Feb. 24 [Chas. Bryhan et al., by M. in C., to James Hanrahan] 1,000
Kenmore-av., 100 s of Glenlake, e f, 50x150, Jan. 10 [Est. of M. E. McDowell to Alfred Smith] 3,724
S. 41st-av., 200 n of 16th-st., w f, 25x125, Feb. 24 [Est. of J. Houska to Marie Houska] 4,000
S. 21st-pl., 125 e of Hoyne-av., n f, 25x125, Feb. 21 [Wilhelm Klots to John Forster Sr.] 1,250
Washington-blvd., 253 e of Kedzie-av., s f, 25x125, Feb. 24 [John J. Brown to John J. Badenoch] 3,500
Lake-av., 253 s of 37th-st., w f, 24x141 [Brought to R. R. incumb. of $4,000. Feb. 12 [John C. Hoch and Clem. Greve] 4,500
Sth-st., s e cor Loomis, n f, 50x126 and other property, Feb. 24 [Henry W. Thompson to Geo. A. Thompson] 8,000
Central-av., 80 s of Chicago, w f, 28x201, Feb. 24 [Agents—Marcus Bortoll to Victor Briard] 4,000
Fullerton-av., 97 s of Washtenaw, e f, 24 to alley, Feb. 24 [Andrew Carlson to Simon Nelson] 1,800
Cammack-av., 250 s of Hirsch-st., w f, 25x126, Feb. 24 [Andrew Carlson to Simon Nelson] 2,000
Hoyne-av., 75 n cor Cortez-st., s f, 50x100, Feb. 24 [A. W. Sherman, by guardian, to Edw. Banker] 2,200
13th-pl., 75 e of Robey-st., s f, 25x124, Jan. 30 [J. H. Chilcote to M. Urbanek] 1,800
4th-pl., 149 e of Union-av., n f, 25x125, Feb. 23 [Free Home B. L. & H. Asso. to Marshfield-av., 225 s of 64th-st., e f, 25x125, Dec. 30, 1899 [Wm. Hutchinson to Wm. McCarr] 1,800
Ashland-av., 50 s of Division-st., e f, 18x [Henrietta Snell to Ida Hilbornstad] 1
Wabash-av., 19 w of St. Louis-av., e f, 18x100, Inst. [Same to same] 1
Moore to Angelina C. Allen] Feb. 24 [Michael Treve-st., s s of Franklin-av., e f, 30x132, Feb. 26 [E. F. Duncan to M. M. E. Cartland] 4,250
Commercial-av., 285 s of 87th-st., e f, 26x124, Jan. 30 [James L. McKeever to Isaac Gassman] 1,400
12th-st., 292 w of Robey, e f, 24x125, Feb. 12 [H. Christian Sorensen to Stretzek] 3,000
Clybourn-av., 93 n w of Leavitt, n f, 25x125, Feb. 22 to Leavitt-st., July 21, '99 [F. Schandler to Peter Kerwood-ct., 143 n of 49th-st., e f, 50x187, Feb. 24 [Chas. Bridge et al., by M. in C., to Chas. Harding] 1,000
Mariana-av., 139 e of Ballou, s f, 78x125, and other property, Feb. 23 [Conrad Zahler to Edw. C. Kimball] 10,000

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Michigan-av., s e cor River-st., w f, 24x 121, Feb. 19 [Michigan Central R. R. Co., by Henry B. Ledyard, Pres., and E. D. Worcester, Sec., to Wm. F. McLaughlin] 224,000

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GENERAL DAVIS SAYS PEOPLE WILL STARVE UNLESS RELIEVED.

Only Remedy Is Opening of Markets for Accumulated Products—Industries Are Paralyzed—Court Awards Admiral Dewey Only Half of Prize Money Claimed — Secretary Long Asks for Early Graduation of Naval Cadets.

WASHINGTON BUREAU CHICAGO TRIBUNE, Washington, D. C., Feb. 26.

Davis Makes Plea for Porto Rico.

General Davis, the Governor of Porto Rico, makes a strong plea for the relief of the people of that island, and in a short communication which was transmitted to the House today by the Secretary of War, much to the disgust of the Ways and Means committee, he again calls attention to the deplorable conditions in the island.

General Davis incloses a pathetic appeal signed by several hundred Porto Ricans, in which it is asserted if relief is not given the inhabitants of Porto Rico thousands of families will die of starvation. The petitioners ask for free trade so that a market may be found for the surplus crops of tobacco of 1898 and 1899 and also the maturing crop of 1900. General Davis says:

"This surplus available for export is about 1,500,000 pounds, and the portion of maturing crops not required for local consumption is estimated at about 2,000,000 pounds. In my frequent reports to the department I have fully stated the gravity of the industrial situation. I cannot overstate the urgency and the gravity of the industrial paralysis now existing in Porto Rico. Nine-tenths of the usual export coffee crop is destroyed; there is a tobacco crop less by nearly half the average, and no market for the surplus of past and maturing harvests; a cane crop of nearly three-quarters the average, and shown by present grinding to have an extraction of sugar 15 per cent below the normal.

"The island has no credit. Importations have fallen off more than half. Business is at a standstill, and one-third of the people are paupers. The only available remedy for the industrial conditions I can suggest is the opening of markets for accumulated surplus of products and the establishment of such trade conditions by Congressional legislation as will give confidence to investors and encourage the development of natural resources. Until this is done the paralysis must continue, and the poor and helpless in increasing numbers must be fed or they will starve to death."

Clark E. Carr and Senator Cullom called on Admiral Dewey and invited him to visit Galesburg while on his Western trip. It is well known the Admiral will be in Chicago May 1, and he told Mr. Carr he would accept the invitation to visit Galesburg if he could possibly do so.

Cuts Down Dewey's Prize Money Claims.

By a decision by the Court of Claims today Admiral Dewey and the officers and men of his fleet will get only $100 for each man in the Spanish fleet sunk in Manila Bay, instead of $200, as was anticipated by him. Judge Weldon announced the court had decided that the Spanish force was inferior to that of the American, and consequently there will be a large scaling down of the prize money which Admiral Dewey and his men expected.

Under the decision of the court Admiral Dewey will be entitled to $9,500, but if it had been declared the Spanish force was stronger than the American he would receive $19,001. The court lays down the rule that the shore batteries, torpedoes, and mines in the harbor must be ruled out in making an estimate of the strength of the two forces.

The claimants contended the enemy's fleet, together with the shore batteries, mines, and torpedoes, was superior by a considerable degree to the force of the American fleet, and authorities were quoted to show that these defenses should be included in the estimate of strength of the respective forces.

Admiral Dewey and his attorneys are not satisfied with the decision of the Court of Claims, and will appeal to the Supreme Court. They will make a strong fight in that court to have their contention upheld, as the difference in money which the claimants would get under their contention is double the amount they will receive under the decision of the Court of Claims, and the Admiral and his associates think this is worth working for.

Miss Kean entertained at luncheon today in honor of Miss Mary Barber. The guests were Miss Sibyl Pauncefote, Miss Deprout, Miss Marie McKenna, Miss Florence Foraker, Miss Mildred Phelps Stokes, Miss Merriam, Miss Satterlee, and Miss Helen Patten.

Asks Early Graduation of Naval Cadets.

Dire necessity for additional officers of the navy has compelled Secretary Long to ask Congress to authorize the graduation of all cadets who have been at the Naval Academy for four years. This will anticipate the graduation of two classes, and give to the service the benefit of the immediate work of a third class. The proposition does away with the two years of sea service, which tops off the academic career of every cadet. Secretary Long, in his letter to Chairman Foss of the House committee, says:

"Among the several methods by which the number of officers might be increased Congress has considered, without favorably acting thereupon, a proposition to reduce the course at the Naval Academy from six to four, and thus adding to the number of graduates of that institution available for appointment as commissioned officers of the lowest grades.

"Assuming that Congress may be averse to the adoption of this method, it is suggested as an alternative plan that the districts represented respectively by the cadets who have completed the four-years' course of study at the Naval Academy be treated as vacant, and such vacancies filled at once, without awaiting the result of the two-years' course at sea.

"This requirement of two years at sea before receiving a commission may, if this plan be adopted, still be retained, since the service of naval cadets during such two years' cruise may be utilized in the performance on board ship of duties not materially dissimilar from those to which junior commissioned officers of the navy are assigned."

Secretary Long further suggests that, should his plan be rejected, some provision be made for the annual appointment of two additional cadets at large from each State, such appointments to be made either by the President, or upon the nomination of the Senators from the States to which the appointments are respectively accredited.

Mr. Rustem Bey, First Secretary of the Turkish Legation, is about to take a leave of absence, in order to return home to visit his family. Mr. Aziz Bey will start for America before long.

Controversy in the Bureau of Navy Supply.

There is quite a rumpus going on in the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts of the Navy department and the situation may result in the resignation from the service of Chief Clerk Faucett of the bureau, one of the oldest and most efficient of the departmental employés.

Some months ago, when Rear Admiral Kenney succeeded to the office of Paymaster General of the navy, on the retirement of Rear Admiral Stewart, he brought with him from the Brooklyn Navy Yard the officer who had been his faithful assistant there—Paymaster Hicks.

The latter is said to have taken things in his own hands and the clerks of the bureau complain bitterly of the exactions of the rules which he had Rear Admiral Kenney sign for the government of the bureau employés.

One of the regulations was that the clerks should talk in whispers and then only upon official business; another rule prohibited them from reading anything during the office hours. It was also required that clerks should remain at their desks, receiving no callers on any pretense, do no writing for themselves, and observe closely the hours for beginning work and leaving office.

He capped the climax, the clerks thought, when he placed spring locks on each of the shutter doors which separate the rooms from one another and from the public corridor. The clerks were inclined to protest, but found the chief of bureau heartily indorsed the regulations, and he was inclined to enforce them, under penalty of dismissal for all infractions.

In fact, Mr. Hicks devised a schedule of fines in the shape of demerits for the various offenses, the total black marks to go against efficiency record of the clerk.

It is required by the civil service law that periodical reports shall be made from each bureau of the government in regard to the efficiency of individual clerks. The theory is that this record governs promotions, and naturally the clerks believe they should be marked with care.

In the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts Chief Clerk Faucett has refused to sign the report, which has been prepared by Mr. Hicks, Rear Admiral Kenney, and another pay officer. He says the ratings are much too low and he insists he is in a better position than the pay officers to know the personal and relative worth of clerks.

The report has gone to the Secretary of the Navy without the Chief Clerk's signature, although the regulations require that it shall bear his indorsement before it may be accepted as authoritative. A great deal of interest is taken in the result of the clash between the naval officers and the civilian employé.

Complaints Against Naval Pay System.

There has been some inquiry in progress as to the method of doing business at the naval pay offices. Complaints have been made constantly against the system of securing bids, and it has been charged by contractors and those who desire to present bids that they have great difficulty in ascertaining when and for what proposals are wanted.

They say, further, that unfair discrimination is shown certain firms, notably in New York, and that scant and oftentimes no publicity attaches to the call for bids.

These charges have been under investigation at the Navy department, with the immediate result that Secretary Long has decided to require a longer period during which bids will be invited. Most of the supplies purchased through the naval pay offices are emergency cases, where there is not enough time to formally invite bids by public advertisement.

Another charge made is that the lack of open competition has served to favor the firms who do bid and enable the latter to ask high prices. An instance cited is that of the purchase of a lot of books for the use of the navy. A publishing house in New York furnished the volumes at the rate of $15, and it developed upon inquiry that the books could be bought in open market for less than $2 each. This allegation is now under investigation.

The naval pay officers deny the charge that some of the invitations for bids are suppressed and do not appear on the bulletin board erected in each pay office for the public display of such calls. They say it takes a week to get requisitions acted upon in Washington, and as the need of material is frequently urgent there is great need of haste in the purchase. The display of the call for bids is usually for forty-eight hours, but sometimes it is acknowledged to be for a much less time.

Senator and Mrs. Davis Entertain the Diplomats.

Senator and Mrs. Davis entertained a diplomatic company at dinner this evening. The decorations were lilies of the valley and ribbons of red, white, and blue, and the flag of each diplomat was used on his name-card at the table. The guests were Baron von Holleben, the German Ambassador; M. Jules Cambon, the French Ambassador; Count Cassini, the Russian Ambassador, and Miss Cassini; the Mexican Ambassador and Mme. Azpiros, Mme. Wu; the Guatemalan Minister, Mr. Arriaga; the Swiss Minister and Mme. Pioda, the Belgian Minister and Countess Lichtervelde, the Turkish Minister, Ali Bey; Mr. Jutaro Komura, the Japanese Minister; Senator and Mrs. Frye, Senator and Mrs. Wetmore, Representative and Mrs. Hitt, Assistant Secretary and Mrs. Hill, Mme. Perez, Mrs. Roche, Miss Wetmore, and Miss McNaughten.

Senator Mason today presented petitions from the postal clerks of Joliet favoring the adoption of a bill providing for the reclassification and the adjustment of salaries of first and second class clerks. Also a large number of petitions from Moline, Freeport, and other Illinois cities, praying for the erection of a fireproof patent office in this city.

Chicago Wants River and Harbor Bill Passed.

Chicago's Board of Trade wants a river and harbor bill passed at this session. It has adopted resolutions favoring the adoption of legislation of this kind, and they were presented to the Senate today by Senator Cullom. Another petition presented by Senator Cullom was from the Quincy Freight bureau, praying for the enactment of legislation which will give additional power to the Interstate Commerce commission. A third was one from the Chicago Bookbinders' union, asking that the union label be put on all publications of the government. Another was from the Belleville United Mineworkers praying for the passage of a bill limiting the hours of labor on public works, and a plea by the Dunlap Grange for the protection of song birds.

The Chinese Minister and forty other members of the diplomatic corps have gone to New Orleans for the Mardi Gras.

Navy Has a Surplus of Olympia Funds.

The Navy department has in its possession $730, the surplus amount from the fund raised by the citizens of the State of Washington for the purchase of a silver service for the Olympia. Those who had charge of the fund recently wrote to the department asking what disposition could be made of the remaining sum.

It was at first thought it would be advisable to expend it in the purchase of a bronze tablet, which might be placed on the forward turret, as is the case on board the battleship Massachusetts.

It has been decided, however, that the money shall be spent in the construction of some highly ornate cabinets, in which the silver service will be kept. The money has been placed to the account of the pay officer at the Boston Navy Yard, where the work will be done.

To Provide for War Claims by the States.

Secretary Root today sent the draft of a bill to the House authorizing the Secretary of War to cause to be investigated, and to provide for the payment of all just claims against the government for private property taken and used within the limits of the United States during the war with Spain.

The damages alleged to have been caused by the troops while in camp or traveling through the several States amounts to $132,006. Pennsylvania presents fifty-seven cases and claims amounting to $56,371. This is the largest claim.

Those from Illinois amount to only $51, Indiana $29, and Minnesota $45. Seventeen States present claims of this character.

Ellen Terry's Gift to Library for the Blind.

Miss Ellen Terry has sent to Miss Griffin, librarian for the blind in the library of Congress, a beautiful bas-relief of herself cut in Parian marble from one of her most famous portraits, that her blind friends of the capital may feel how she looks.

This tribute will be better understood when it is known she visited the pavilion where the blind read and play, and where an entertainment is given by the philanthropic women and men of the city every afternoon. During the visit she met and talked to the blind and became so enthused with the work done for them she presented each of the blind ones with a ticket for one of her performances. They were wild with enthusiasm.

Miss Terry was so touched by their emotion she sent word to have them brought behind the scenes to talk with her and Sir Henry Irving. Then Miss Terry laughingly described herself to them and let them pass their hands over her head. As the ordinary picture was of no benefit to them in recalling one who had so endeared herself to them she promised something better. This was fulfilled when the bas-relief came.

MARCUS DALY ON STAND.

EXPLAINS HIS PART IN ATTEMPT TO DOWN SENATOR CLARK.

Contributes Little to the Record of Facts and Denies All Allegations That Implicate Himself or Friends in Bribery Proceedings—His Money Aiding in the Senate Case—Figures of Expenditures in Montana Politics.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 26.—Marcus Daly, the millionaire miner of Montana, was the principal witness before the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections today. He was on the stand for two hours, and at the expiration of this time was excused on the plea that he was not well and that the questioning process fatigued him. Mr. Daly confessed that he had contributed $20,000 or $25,000 to the prosecution of this case, but asserted that he had not entered into any conspiracy before Mr. Clark's election to injure him. He had not contributed any of the $30,000 used in the Whiteside exposure. In conclusion he tendered his checks and check books for the last five years for the inspection of the committee. Mr. Clark listened attentively to Mr. Daly's testimony.

Mr. Daly said he first contributed to the campaign when it was organized to the extent of $4,500, later to the extent of $2,500, also $500 in Deer Lodge County and $250 on various other occasions. He had never, he said, sought to compel miners employed by him to vote according to his sentiments. As to Whiteside, he said he had given him nothing for the purpose of defeating Mr. Clark, and during the session of the Legislature had never given money toward the defeat of Mr. Clark.

Denies Corbett Statement.

Regarding the conversation with Mr. Corbett in the Hotel Netherlands he said he told Corbett he did not think Clark would seriously urge his candidacy for the Senate, as he could not be elected. Mr. Daly denied he had used the language attributed to him by Corbett, that if Clark's name made its appearance "you will hear something drop."

Mr. Daly was asked as to the $30,000 which is on deposit with the committee and is alleged to have been bribe money. He said he knew nothing about this money and had nothing to do with advancing it, as had been intimated. He also specifically denied the statement of a former witness that Daly had told him every man who supported Clark would be denounced as a boodler and bribe-taker. He went on to say that after Mr. Clark's nomination he (Clark) had charged that he was the subject of a "conspiracy," and, as Mr. Clark courted an investigation, Mr. Daly said he concluded to permit the matter to be thoroughly investigated.

To questions by Mr. Hoar Mr. Daly said the $7,750 which he had contributed was given to the campaign committee from time to time in response to circulars stating its needs and was for the usual campaign expenses. It had nothing to do with the Senate contest.

Mr. Daly said Mr. Campbell, Mr. Whiteside, and several other members of the State committee were those who joined him in agreeing to prosecute this case. There was to be a contribution to cover expenses, for hiring lawyers, expenses of witnesses, etc. He had contributed between $20,000 and $25,000. He explained that this was used for the expenses of the prosecution. It was paid over to Mr. Campbell. Mr. Campbell stated to the committee that when he took the stand he would give full details of this matter.

Was No Fraud at Primaries.

Mr. Faulkner then directed the cross-examination. When asked if he knew that Mr. Clark became a candidate because of fraudulent primaries Mr. Daly said this could not be the case, as the primaries were not fraudulent and were not so attacked until Mr. Clark had been defeated at one of the county conventions.

Mr. Daly said his secretary had made the advances to prosecute this case. He himself was sick, so that after being present at the conference when the agreement to contribute was made he told his secretary to advance the sums to Mr. Campbell as it became necessary. He did not place a limit on the advances. He had kept no personal account of it, but three or four days ago he telegraphed from New York to the bookkeeper at Anaconda and learned that the amount was $20,000 to $25,000. He said his promise to contribute was after Mr. Clark had accused him and others of a "villainous conspiracy."

No Hostility to Senator Clark.

"I have not the slightest personal feeling against Mr. Clark or the members of his family," declared Mr. Daly, "and any statement of that kind is a villainous lie."

Members of the committee suggested that no testimony had been given that Mr. Daly was unfriendly to Mr. Clark's family.

"But I am dealing with that chap's questions," answered Mr. Daly, amid a roar at his designation of Mr. Faulkner as that "chap."

Mr. Daly declared that he knew nothing of any telegram to State Senator Cullen before the meeting of the Legislature, telling him (Cullen) that he (Daly) would be on the train the next day. Cullen was then a conductor on the Northern Pacific railroad, and Mr. Daly said it was not probable that he would have discussed the Senatorial question with him.

Mr. Daly also denied authorizing the sending of Pat Conlan to Flathead County during the State campaign. He also asserted that he knew of no money being spent in the Legislature for the passage of House bill No. 124.

"I wish you would go into that," he added. "Neither the Anaconda company nor the Amalgamated Copper company supplied a cent for that purpose. I believe that Mr. Clark and his friends contributed as much as any one to the passage of that bill, as they were equally interested, but that they contributed money I do not know. I do know that I contributed none, and that none was contributed for me. My instruction was not to use any money for that purpose. The bills were in the interest of the mining industry. I told our friends to stand up and be counted, but that I would spend no money in that direction."

Expenses of Capital Fight.

Mr. Daly said he thought Mr. Toole's estimate of the amount of money expended in behalf of Anaconda in the capital contest in 1894 was about right. He had not handled the money, but he did not believe the amount exceeded $350,000. The companies which might be described as subsidiary to the Anaconda company had given $200,000.

Continuing the discussion of the capital contest, Mr. Daly said that unquestionably some money was sent to Missoula County to influence the result, but he was sure that no such sum as $50,000 had been sent there in Anaconda's interest. He also denied that he had promised the people of Missoula to build a railroad in Missoula County.

The witness declared that he had supported the Democratic ticket in 1894, and that he had not advocated the election of Lee Mantle for the Senate.

Asked what part of the State of Montana was distinctively Democratic, Mr. Daly smiled, and, looking at Mr. Clark, while he pointed to himself, replied:

"The western part of the State, where I live. Mr. Clark and I both live in that part, and that may account for it."

In reply to a question concerning the campaign of 1888 Mr. Daly gave testimony in conflict with that of Mr. Clark. He said he had promised at first that he would not meddle, but later he had decided that he could not give Mr. Clark his support, "and," he added, "the majority of the people took the same view, according to the returns."

"Do you remember a conversation you had with J. R. Toole previous to the meeting of the Legislature, in which you said you would put up $75,000 to beat Mr. Clark?"

"I never had any such conversation with Mr. Toole or any one else," Daly replied.

Mr. Daly gave figures as to the number of men employed by him in various parts of the State, making a total of almost 6,000.

State Senator W. A. Clark of Madison County was recalled to make a statement concerning the testimony of Benjamin J. Fine. Mr. Clark pronounced as false the statement that he had altered the records of Madison County. He proffered a copy of an order of the County Court of that county showing that the alteration was made by order of the court.

Box of fine Havana "Hoffman House Bouquet" cigars are always acceptable as a gift.

GENERAL NEWS OF RAILWAYS.

East-Bound Lines Continue to Cut Rates on Grain—Business Shows a Decrease, but Is Heavy.

While east-bound through shipments from Chicago last week were less by 57,842 tons than the shipments for the week previous, it should not be inferred that a reaction has set in or that the roads are doing a light business. Notwithstanding the big slump the through business last week was far above the average and has been exceeded in few instances. The decrease is due to the fact that the roads did not have enough cars to take care of any more business. So long as the roads continue to make the rates that have been quoted the last few weeks they will have plenty of business. Grain was taken at a rate of 12 cents from Chicago to New York, 11 cents to Philadelphia, and 10 cents to Baltimore. This is a cut of nearly 50 per cent. In order to stop the rate cutting an open reduction in rates has been proposed, but the Eastern traffic officials seem to prefer the cutting, as it allows them to charge the small shippers, for whose trade they do not care, the full rate. The Interstate Commerce commission is expected to question them at the meeting on March 7 regarding this unlawful discrimination.

Total shipments of flour, grain, and provisions from Chicago through to seaboard points and for export by the ten east-bound roads last week amounted to 154,670 tons, against 212,312 tons for the week previous, and 128,324 tons for the corresponding week last year. Flour shipments last week were 28,361 tons, against 20,602 tons last year; grain, 110,448 tons, against 92,701 tons; provisions, 15,861 tons, against 14,931 tons. The percentages carried by the various roads were as follows:

Baltimore and Ohio, 6; Big Four, 7.6; Chicago and Erie, 3.1; Chicago and Grand Trunk, 8.5; Lake Shore, 12.2; Michigan Central, 21.5; Nickel Plate, 12.8; Pan-Handle, 8.2; Fort Wayne, 11.1; and Wabash, 11.

The Vanderbilt lines are still carrying the bulk of the business.

To Consider Prorating.

Western traffic officials will meet with the traffic managers of the Eastern trunk lines in New York today to consider the prorating question. Unless the conference results favorably the Eastern roads will discontinue on March 1 the prorating system, and will base through rates to the further West on the sum of the two locals, New York and Chicago westward. The Western roads will be injured seriously if the action of the Eastern roads is maintained, and Chicago interests will suffer badly, as the combined locals to Kansas City via Chicago to Missouri River points are higher than via St. Louis.

Morton Returns from Coast.

Vice President Paul Morton of the Santa Fé has returned from a trip to the Pacific coast. He says the new San Joaquin Valley road will be completed and opened for San Francisco business about May 1. At Los Angeles Mr. Morton had a conference with shippers of oranges regarding the complaint about the routing of shipments. The railroad insisted that it must control the routing in order to maintain the integrity of the through rates. Shippers were satisfied with the explanation, and the assurance that rates would be kept at as low a figure as possible.

At Kansas City he attended a conference of managers, and the Kansas Stock Shippers' association relative to rates on cattle shipments. Mr. Morton explained that the change from the carload to the hundredweight rate was made because it was believed to be unfair to charge the shipper of eighteen head of cattle the same as one who shipped twenty-five. The railroads refused to recede from their position, and the shippers decided to accept the situation.

To Defeat an Agreement.

A scheme devised to beat the Presidents' agreement abolishing commissions, or for some other purpose, has been formed. Circulars have been sent to ticket agents by a person signing his name as Secretary and Treasurer of the Ticket Commission Clearing-House in this city. It is stated that many lines will pay commissions to an outside person or organization, while they would not pay it to ticket agents direct. Ticket agents desiring to become members are asked to furnish their full name and address, and inclose a $5 bill for initiation fee.

Transportation Notes.

President D. B. Robinson of the St. Louis and San Francisco has fully recovered from his recent serious illness.

Wiconsin Central earnings for the month of January were $388,329, an increase of $34,017. Chicago and Eastern Illinois earnings were $470,817, an increase of $72,583.

TO ACCEPT TULEY'S DECISION.

National Safety Deposit Company Will Pay Increased Rent on First National Bank Building.

Attorney Edward O. Brown of the National Safety Deposit company said yesterday that Judge Tuley's decision increasing the ground rent of the First National Bank Building from $29,700 a year to $50,148 would be accepted, and that the back rent would be paid to the Board of Education after the decree in the case is signed tomorrow. The rent due amounts to $86,100. Whether or not Judge Tuley's suggestion that both sides agree upon a flat rent for the rest of the lease, without revaluation, would be followed neither Mr. Brown nor Attorney Donald L. Morrill of the School board would say.

The Michigan Central railroad company has deeded to William F. McLaughlin the warehouse property at the southeast corner of Michigan avenue and River street, 224x221 feet, for a consideration of $224,000. The sale was negotiated by Fleming & Doherty, and was on a basis of $1,000 a front foot in the avenue. Booth & Co. occupy the warehouse under a lease expiring on May 1. The purchaser intends erecting a modern manufacturing building on the site.

Chairman J. B. Galloway of the Special Building committee of the Real Estate board said yesterday that the plan to float $1,000,000 4 per cent bonds to buy the Mason property at 92 to 96 Washington street and erect a twelve-story fireproof building was not meeting with the success that had been expected.

Arthur B. Mulvey has given a trust deed to the Chicago Title and Trust company to secure a loan of $28,000 for five years at 5½ per cent on the properties at the northwest corner of Stony Island avenue and Sixty-seventh street, east front, 269x125 feet; the northeast corner of Sixty-seventh street and Washington avenue, south front, 50x126 feet; and the property in Sixty-seventh street, 250 west of Washington avenue, south front, 450x126½ feet.

Try Again to Form New Village.

The voters residing in the territory west of Maywood and Melrose Park who voted on Saturday to organize a village under the general law and were defeated by the annexation of nearly the entire east half of the territory to Maywood, have set about with petitions for another election in the territory that has not been annexed.

DISCUSS THE QUAY CASE.

SENATOR TURLEY OPPOSES SEATING OF PENNSYLVANIAN.

Declares Governor Was Without Power to Appoint—Tillman and Spooner Engage in Lively Discussion Over Hawaiian Bill — South Carolinian Admits Ballot Boxes Were Stuffed and Negroes Shot to Preserve White Power in South.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 26.—Formal discussion of the right of former Senator Quay to a seat in the Senate as a member from Pennsylvania was begun today by Mr. Turley [Tenn.]. He presented a constitutional argument against the seating of Mr. Quay, which was given close attention by his colleagues. He will conclude his speech tomorrow.

Consideration of the Hawaiian government bill brought out a lively discussion between Mr. Tillman [S. C.] and Mr. Spooner [Wis.], in which the former admitted that ballot boxes had been stuffed and negroes had been shot in the South to maintain white domination. An amendment was made to the bill, striking out the property qualification of voters for members of the Legislature, but little other progress was made.

Opposes Seating of Quay.

Mr. Turley prepared the majority report of the committee on the resolution and spoke in opposition to the seating of Mr. Quay. In opening his argument he said no case exactly similar to the present one was ever before the Senate. He said:

"If there ever was a case in which the Governor of a State was, under the constitution, without power to fill the vacancy it is this one. The action of the Governor was in the teeth of every provision of the constitution bearing upon the subject."

He pointed out that the vacancy had occurred during a session of the Legislature. The Legislature remained in session some time after the vacancy existed, yet it had failed to fill the vacancy, and immediately upon the adjournment of the Legislature the Governor had appointed Mr. Quay.

Mr. Turley then entered on a technical discussion of the provision of the constitution bearing on the vacancies in the Senate, and, concluding this branch of his speech, said:

"I say that it were better for us to have many vacant seats in this Senate than that we should have these disgraceful contests that are now becoming so common. Far better for the welfare of the country and the safety of the republic that every State be notified, in language that cannot be mistaken, that its permanent representation in this body shall depend upon its selecting a Legislature that will do its duty."

Mr. Turley said in reply to questions: "In not one single instance in seventy-five years has a Senator been admitted here who was appointed by the State executive after the Legislature had had an opportunity to elect, and never in the history of the government has a candidate been seated when the vacancy occurred during the session of the Legislature."

Take Up Hawaiian Bill.

At 2 o'clock the Hawaiian bill was taken up. Mr. Cullom offered several minor amendments, and one striking out the property qualifications clause of those who desired to vote for Representatives and Senators in the Hawaiian Legislature. Mr. Tillman argued that his amendment substituting the suffrage provisions of the constitution of South Carolina was in all senses a better provision than that offered by the committee reporting the bill.

Mr. Tillman said: "The people of South Carolina in their constitution have done their level best to prevent the 'niggers' from voting. What I now ask you to do is to give the Kanakas and Portuguese of the Hawaiian Islands the same power of suffrage as we in South Carolina have given the 'niggers.'"

In reply to a question of Mr. Spooner, Mr. Tillman said that the $200 property qualification had been put into the South Carolina constitution for the benefit of the negro.

In a brief speech Mr. Spooner deprecated a discussion at this time of the racial question, which had been precipitated by Mr. Tillman.

Mr. Tillman replied that his only reason for rehabilitating the bloody shirt before it was finally and irrevocably laid to rest was that he wanted the position of the Southern people to be understood. He was tired of the taunts and sneers at the Southern people. After declaring that in every Southern State except South Carolina the "niggers" held the balance of power, he added: "As such they stand there as a menace to a pure suffrage and to good government, because they are a purchasable quantity, educated or uneducated.

"We are charged with fraud, and corruption, and ballot-box stuffing. Finally, after the bayonets had come to us again in 1876, we rose in righteousness and might. We took the government, we stuffed ballot-boxes, we bulldozed the 'niggers,' we shot 'em. We are not ashamed of it."

Leaning over toward Mr. Spooner, and shaking his finger at the Wisconsin Senator, Mr. Tillman said:

"What would you have done? You would have done the same thing. I see it in your eye."

Amendments Are Adopted.

The amendment offered by Mr. Cullom was finally adopted. So, too, was the amendment of Mr. Platt [Conn.], which has been pending for several days, relating to the appointment and tenure of the offices of the Judges of the Hawaiian courts. After the bill had been further amended Mr. Butler [N. C.] offered an amendment restoring to Hawaii the postal savings bank system.

The amendment was supported by Mr. Butler and Mr. Mason [Ill.], the latter declaring this was the only civilized country in the world which did not receive loans from the poor people of the country—the only government which was absolutely dominated by the banks.

Without concluding the discussion of the amendment the Senate went into executive session, and at 5:15 p. m. adjourned.

DIES FROM EFFECT OF GAS.

Fred M. Gregg's Attempt to Commit Suicide at the Palmer House Proves Successful.

Fred M. Gregg, who was found in his room in the Palmer House on Sunday unconscious from escaping gas, died yesterday morning. His sister, Miss Stella Gregg, who arrived from his home at Fort Wayne, Ind., on Sunday evening, took charge of the remains and later in the day had them shipped to his mother. He is believed to have committed suicide on account of his failure to find employment in theatrical lines.

Deputy Coroner Cobb held an inquest over the remains of the young man and the verdict of the jury was "suicide, caused by despondency."

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